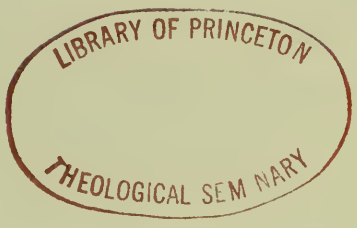

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MARRIAGES.

On Wednesday, June 1st, by Rev A. D. Clark, D.D., Rev. John Robb and Miss Maggie Patton, of Belmont Co., Ohio.

Same day, by Rev. Wm. Wishart, Rev. Josias Stevenson and Miss Ella Patton, of Belmont Co., Ohio.

On the 14th of June, by Rev. J. C. Forsythe, Rev. Addison Henry and Miss B. J. Orr, both of West Charlton, N. Y.

On Monday, May 30th, in the 1st U. P. Church, Xenia, Ohio, by Rev. James P. Smart, Rev. G. Hamilton Robertson, of West Hebron, N. Y., and Miss Mary L. D. Beveridge, youngest daughter of Rev. Dr. Beveridge, of Xenia.

On Wednesday, May 25th, by Rev. Andrew Thomas, Rev. James B. Lee, of Bovina, N. Y., and Miss Jennie Campbell, of Fonda, N. Y.

On the 12th of May, by Rev. James Wallace, Rev. W. W. Templeton and Miss Mary Wallace, daughter of the officiating clergyman, all of Huntsville, Ohio.

On the 19th of May, in the 1st U. P. Church, Cedarville, Ohio, by Rev. James P. Wright, Rev. Thomas J. Kennedy, of Jamestown, Pa., and Miss Martha Kyle, youngest daughter of the late Judge Samuel Kyle, of Greene Co., Ohio.

On Thursday, May 12th, at Ligonier, Pa., by Rev. B. K. Ormond, Rev. J. C. Boyd and Miss Martha M'Farland.

At Boston, on the 16th of June, by Rev. Alex. Blaikie, assisted by Rev. Andrew Herron, D. D., and Rev. Wm. M'Laren, Rev. John M'Campbell Herron, of Thompsonville, Conn., and Miss Minnie Nelson, formerly of Halifax, Nova Scotia.

DEATH.

Killed by lightning, on the 21st of May last, Daniel Carson, son of Joseph M'Kettrick, of the U. P. Congregation of Londonderry, Ohio.

Daniel was a promising youth, in the 15th year of his age. Like Timothy, "from a child he knew the Scriptures," and had a love for them. He had spent one session in the High School at Londonderry, and one in Madison College, Antrim, Ohio. His intention was, if possible, to attain to the exercise of the Christian ministry.

Although but a child, comparatively, yet was he a careful reader of the *Evangelical Repository,* a periodical taken by his father. Perhaps there are few better evidences of the honesty of a young man in professionally seeking the ministry, than his intense desire for *such kind* of reading, and there learning the state of the world, the wants of the church, and the doings of Presbyteries and Synods.

It was Saturday evening. In obedience to the suggestions of his pious mother, that while the storm was raging, he might now retire for preparing his Sabbath School lesson, he was passing to a distant apartment of the dwelling, when he came within range of the electric current. He was soon afterwards found, his head resting on the lower step of the stairs, and *his Bible lying by his side!*

His body was accompanied to the grave, on Monday, the 23d, by a large concourse of people, mingling their sympathies with those of the bereaved Christian family.

"Be ye also ready; for in such an hour as ye think not, the Son of man cometh."

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PROCEEDINGS

OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF NORTH AMERICA, AT ITS FIRST ANNUAL MEETING, HELD IN XENIA, OHIO, MAY 18TH, 1859, AND CONTINUED BY ADJOURNMENT TILL MAY 26TH, 1859.

FIRST UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH,
Xenia, O., May 18th, 1859.

According to a resolution adopted at the meeting of the Aggregate Synod of the United Presbyterian Church of North America, in Pittsburgh, Pa., May 26th, 1858, the members of the first General Assembly of the said Church convened: and after sermon by the Rev. J. T. Pressly, D. D., Moderator, from Deut. xii. 32—"What thing soever I command you, observe to do it; thou shalt not add thereto, nor diminish from it," the Assembly was by him constituted with prayer.

In the absence of Rev. Samuel Wilson, D. D., Assembly's Clerk, Rev. Thos. H. Beveridge was appointed Clerk *pro tempore.*

On motion of Rev. James Prestley and Rev. R. D. Harper, the Assembly adjourned to meet at this place to-morrow morning, at 9 o'clock; delegates being directed in the mean time to place their credentials in the hands of the Clerk.

Closed with the benediction by the Moderator.

Thursday morning—May 19th, 1859.

The Assembly met, and was opened with prayer by the Moderator.

The roll was made out as follows:—

SYNOD OF NEW YORK.

PRESBYTERIES.	MINISTERS.	RULING ELDERS.
Albany.	P. Bullions, D. D.,	John M'Nab,
	Geo. M. Hall,	D. J. M'Arthur.*
	S. F. Morrow.	
Boston.	Alex. Blaikie.	Samuel Johnson.*
Caledonia.	W. S. M'Laren,	James M'Nab,
	John Van Eaton,	David Walker,
	Thos. F. Boyd.	John Wilson.*
Cambridge.	John G. Smart,	James Lourie,
	Isaac Law,	George Robertson,
	Jas. A. Duff,	William Lendrum,*
	John B. Dunn.	William Doig.*
New York.	H. H. Blair,	Robert Harper.
	J. B. Whitten,	James M'Gay,
	W. G. M'Elhany,	Henry Harrison,
	James Thompson,	Isaac M'Gay.

* Not in attendance during the sessions of the Assembly.

PRESBYTERIES.	MINISTERS.	RULING ELDERS.
Philadelphia, (Asso.)	Jos. T. Cooper,	Wm. S. Young,
	Thos. H. Beveridge,	William Wilson,
	J. H. Andrew,	Jas. C. Rankin,
	William Bruce.	W. K. Carson.
Philadelphia, (A. R.)	John B. Dales, D. D.,	William Getty.
Saratoga.	John Rippey.	
Stamford.	Robert M'Allister,*	John Mitchell,*
	John B. Wilson.	Ephraim Moore.*
Vermont.	Thomas Goodwillie.	
Washington.	J. B. Scouller,	Earl P. Wright,
	G. H. Robertson,	W. Gilchrist,*
	John Harper.	G. Forsythe.*
	FIRST SYNOD OF THE WEST.	
Allegheny.	J. T. Pressly, D. D.,	James M'Candless,
	D. H. A. M'Lean, D. D.,	Thomas M'Cance,
	David W. Carson.	Samuel Fleming,*
		Anderson Laird.*
Big Spring.	James Shields,*	Jacob Grove,
	William Carlisle.	James Ferguson.
Butler.	William Galbraith,	George Monroe,
	J. N. Dick,	Hugh Reed,
	Samuel Kerr,	John Cowden, M. D.,
	Isa. Niblock, D. D.	James Black.
Chartiers.	Thos. Hanna, D. D.,	William Gabby,
	Samuel Taggart,	John C. Hanna,
	John B. Clark.	W. H. M'Nary.
Conemaugh.	D. Blair,	John Robertson,
	Wm. Conner,	R. C. Taylor,
	Samuel Anderson.	C. M'Farland.*
Lakes.	Clark Kendall,	James M. Blair,
	Jos. A. Collins,	John S. Lytle,*
	James Burroughs.	Wm. H. M'Cormack.
Mansfield.	Richard Gailey,	John Irvine,
	John P. Scott,	John Brinkerhoff,
	D. W. Collins,	William Ralston,
	J. W. M'Farland.	William Braden.
Mercer.	R. M'Watty,	John M'Connell,
	Geo. C. Vincent,	Joseph Kissick,
	R. A. Browne,	Joseph Kerr,
	W. C. Jackson,	A. J. Burgess.
	B. K. Ormond.	
Monongahela.	D. R. Kerr, D. D.,	Samuel George,
	James Prestley,	James Reed,
	John G. Brown,	William Young,
	F. A. Hutchinson,	Jas. B. Glenn,
	W. H. Andrew.	John Cook.
Muskingum.	John Comin,	M. R. Buchanan,
	James M'Neal,	R. M. Marquis,*
	Thomas Brown,	Martin M'Lane,
	Jas. P. Lytle.	John Hammond.
Ohio.	David Goodwillie,	James Boyd,
	S. W. Clark.	Andrew Alexander.
Steubenville.	Alex. Wilson,	Thomas George,
	John S. Easton,	M. O. Junkin,
	Joseph Andrews.	R. G. Ramsey.
Westmoreland.	Joseph Scroggs, D. D.,	John Pollock,
	M. M'Kinstry,	J. R. Drennen,
	James Kelso.	J. B. Mitchell.*
Wheeling.	A. D. Clarke, D. D.,	T. M. Nichol,
	J. T. M'Clure,	Charles Warfel,*
	William Grimes.	John Carnahan.*

* Not in attendance during the sessions of the Assembly.

SECOND SYNOD OF THE WEST.

PRESBYTERIES.	MINISTERS.	RULING ELDERS.
Chilicothe.	J. H. Bonner,	Thomas M'Cague,
	N. R. Kirkpatrick,	Thos. A. Reed,
	John Gilmore.	Peter Platter.
Detroit.	Jas. M. Smeallie.	Ezra Hughes.*
Indiana.	Thomas Dickson,	Thomas Shannon,
	J. R. Walker.	Alex. Innis.
Michigan.	Alex. M'Cahan,	T. Barnes,
	S. C. Baldridge,	Robert Mackey,
	Thomas Calahan,	Thomas Simpson,
	J. N. Buchanan.	William Taylor.
1st Ohio.	Wm. Davidson,	W. G. Hyndman,*
	R. K. Campbell,	James Giffin,
	Robert H. Pollock.	Thomas Pinkerton.
Sidney.	J. B. Johnston,	Thomas Rough,
	James Wallace,	Robert M'Knight,
	Samuel Wallace.	Jas. B. M'Cracken.
Southern Indiana.	John Bryan,	William Fee,
	J. L. Craig.	W. W. Brockett.
Xenia.	Samuel Wilson, D. D.,	Anthony Bird,
	J. P. Wright,	James Turnbull,
	R. D. Harper,	John Alexander,
	Jas. P. Smart.	Archibald Collins.

SYNOD OF ILLINOIS.

Bloomington.	Matthew Clark,	James Miller,
	G. D. Henderson,	John Beatty,
	John W. Pinkerton.	Matthew Taggart.*
Chicago.	Samuel Collins,	Elijah Stewart,
	S. F. Thompson.	Robert Harper.*
Des Moines.	R. A. M'Ayeal.	
Kansas.	B. L. Baldridge.	S. W. Grier.
Keokuk.	John T. Tate,	John A. Henderson,*
	R. N. Fee,	Robert French,*
	Samuel M'Arthur,	Robert Reid,*
	W. M. Boyce.	John Ronalds.
Le Claire.	Hugh Sturgeon,	T. Cherry,*
	J. Stewart,	Wm Campbell,*
	H. Allen.	D. M'Kennon.*
Monmouth.	Alex. Young, D. D.,	David Turnbull,
	Marion Morrison,	A. O. M'Quown,*
	J. A. Edie,	Wm. M'Bride,*
	J. C. M'Knight.	Mr. Robb.*
St. Louis.	W. A. Pollock,	Wm. J. Stephenson,*
	Jas. W. Glenn.	William Meek.*

Proceeded to the election of a Moderator. Several persons were placed in nomination. It was agreed that a majority of all the votes cast shall be requisite to a choice. On the second ballot, the Rev. P. Bullions, D. D., of the Presbytery of Albany, having received a majority of all the votes, was declared duly elected, and took the chair accordingly.

On motion of Rev. Jas. P. Smart, the subject of the Clerkship was referred to a Committee, consisting of Rev. Messrs. John Van Eaton, D. W. Collins, Wm. Davidson, and G. D. Henderson; said Committee to report this afternoon.

On motion of Rev. R. D. Harper, the hours of meeting were fixed at 9 o'clock, A. M., and 2 o'clock, P. M., and of adjournment at 12 o'clock, M., and 5 o'clock, P. M.

* Not in attendance during the sessions of the Assembly.

On motion of Rev. Dr. Dales, the subject of Missions was made the order of the day for to-morrow afternoon at 3 o'clock.

On motion of Rev. H. H. Blair, the remainder of this session was spent in devotional exercises.

On motion of Rev. R. D. Harper, the Assembly adjourned, to meet at 2 o'clock, P. M.

Thursday Afternoon, May 19th.

The Assembly met, and was opened with prayer by the Moderator.

Members generally present.

The minutes were read and approved.

On motion of Rev. R. H. Pollock, and Rev. Samuel Anderson, the order of business was suspended to receive the report of the Committee on the Clerkship. Said report was read, and, with some amendment, adopted as follows:—

"Your Committee, appointed to report on the subject of the Clerkship, beg leave respectfully to recommend the adoption of the following resolutions:

"1st. *Resolved*, That there shall be one Principal Clerk, to be elected every fourth year; and one Assistant Clerk, to be elected annually.

"2d. *Resolved*, That the annual salary of the Principal Clerk be fixed at $65.00; and that the services of the Assistant Clerk shall be rendered gratuitously."

Proceeded to the election of a Principal Clerk. It was resolved that the election be conducted in the same manner as the election of the Moderator this morning. On the second ballot, the Rev. James Prestley, of the Presbytery of Monongahela, having received a majority of all the votes, was declared duly elected Principal Clerk of this Assembly for the ensuing four years.

On motion of Rev. Dr. Dales and Rev. J. B. Scouller, the Rev. Thos. H. Beveridge, of the Presbytery of Philadelphia, was chosen Assistant Clerk.

On motion of Rev. R. D. Harper, a Committee, consisting of Rev. Messrs. R. D. Harper, C. Cummins, and Jas. P. Smart, was appointed to nominate persons to preach in the pulpits of this city on the ensuing Sabbath.

On motion of Rev. Dr. Dales and Rev. Thos. H. Beveridge, it was agreed that the address of Rev. Alex. Young, D. D., on behalf of the Presbyterian Historical Society, shall be delivered in this place on to-morrow evening, at 7½ o'clock.

Proceeded to hear the reports of Presbyteries. The following reports were given in and read:—

Report of the Presbytery of Philadelphia, (Associate.)

To the General Assembly of the U. P. Church of N. America, to meet in Xenia, O., May 18th, 1859, the Associate Presbytery of Philadelphia would respectfully report:

That during the past year the following changes have taken place in our bounds:

On the 12th of July, the Associate Congregation of Shippen street, in the city of Philadelphia, was received under our care.

Agreeably to a petition from the congregations of Stonevalley and Reedville, the connexion between those congregations was, on the 26th of October, dissolved; and on the 16th of March, Mr. J. M. Adair was ordained and installed pastor of the congregation of Stonevalley.

On the 19th of April, Rev. David Thompson, of the United Presbytery of Oregon, was, on the presentation of his certificate of dismission, and the declaration of his approval of the Testimony of the U. P. Church, received as a constituent member of this Presbytery.

Presbytery have agreed to ask the General Assembly to take some action in regard to the boundary lines of the Presbytery of Big Spring, and the Associate and

Associate Reformed Presbyteries of Philadelphia, or at least to define the line of separation between the Synod of New York and the First Synod of the West. The present territory of the Associate Presbytery of Philadelphia comprises the whole of the territory of the Presbytery of Big Spring. A memorial on this subject is herewith transmitted: If the Assembly do not think proper to take action in regard to the boundaries of these Presbyteries, we would respectfully suggest the propriety of a simple transfer of the Presbytery of Big Spring to the Synod of New York, or a transfer of the two Presbyteries of Philadelphia to the First Synod of the West; leaving to the Synod which shall thus receive jurisdiction over the whole, the arrangement of the Presbyterial boundaries. The Synodical boundary would then be either the summit of the Allegheny mountains, or the eastern line of the State of Pennsylvania.

It affords us pleasure to state that the Third Church, Philadelphia, under the pastoral care of Rev. Dr. Cooper, have established a mission Sabbath-school, at the distance of a few squares from their church, which has thus far been attended with a good degree of success. They have gathered and instructed from one hundred to one hundred and fifty children, the greater part of whom had been living in a state of abject ignorance. Preaching on Sabbath evenings has been conducted during the greater part of the year; and on every evening the house has been well filled, and on some occasions many who came were unable to obtain admittance. It is the earnest desire of the Presbytery that this enterprise should be continued. Efforts have been made by the pastor and members of this church to obtain money with which to erect a building for the accommodation of this school, with the expectation and desire that it be used in due time as a church. The Presbytery, from all that they can learn, think that the prospects of usefulness are encouraging. It is the desire of the Presbytery that these efforts to extend the cause of Christ should meet with the countenance and co-operation of the Assembly; and we would therefore urge the appointment of a suitable missionary to labour in that place. He would have, at the commencement of his operations, a large number of children under his care, and the prospect of gathering in a portion of the adult population, among whom there are thousands living in ignorance and neglect of Divine ordinances. It is the firm conviction of the Presbytery that the proper plan for the Assembly to pursue in this, and in all similar cases, would be to appropriate such a sum of money as may be thought necessary to secure, for at least one year, the support of a missionary, without looking to any other source; in short, that the same principle should be acted upon in the prosecution of home missionary enterprises under such circumstances, as is acted upon in our efforts to evangelize the heathen in foreign lands.

Presbytery would also urge the importance of establishing and efficiently sustaining a mission station in Baltimore. With the exception of a small congregation connected with the Reformed Presbyterian Church, (O S.,) the congregation under the care of Rev. Wm. Bruce is the only one in that city connected with any of the Reformed Churches. Aside from the importance of endeavouring to disseminate our distinctive principles there, a large proportion of the population of that city are living in a state of spiritual darkness; and, for the reasons already given, we feel called upon to use every effort to send them the gospel of Christ. The members of our church in that city are at present engaged in efforts for the erection of a new house of worship in a more favourable location than that now occupied by them, and are therefore not in a condition to contribute very largely for the support of a new enterprise. It is thought, however, that they will take measures to secure a suitable house of worship. We ask the Assembly to appoint a missionary to that city, and provide for his support for one year.

At the last regular meeting, Presbytery made some inquiry in regard to the state of religion in their bounds. Six pastors reported. In two congregations the attendance is much better than ever before; in three, about the same; in one, somewhat better, and slowly increasing. In four, there is a decided improvement in the matter of family worship, only one or two persons not observing it regularly, and these being under a course of dealing; in one it is much neglected, many of the members being females with irreligious husbands. One congregation has four weekly prayer meetings, at which there is a respectable attendance; another has four for males, and two for females, well attended; two others have two each, poorly attended: and two have one each, very well attended. Each congregation has a Bible class, ranging in numbers from thirty to eighty. One of these is engaged in the study of the Confession of Faith. In one congregation there is also a class for the instruction of the aged, containing some of threescore years and ten.

One congregation has three Sabbath-schools, averaging 50 scholars each; another has two, averaging 350 and 100; each of the others has one, numbering respectively 40, 50, and 75. Some of the brethren complain of the increasing prevalence of intemperance. Some report some evidences of the Spirit's work. The people have been generally attentive; and while all find some discouraging circumstances, the general feeling is that they are overbalanced by those which are of a more encouraging character.

By order of Presbytery. THOS. H. BEVERIDGE, *Clerk.*

Report of Presbytery of Muskingum.

To the General Assembly of the United Presbyterian Church, to meet in Xenia, on the 18th of May, 1859, the Presbytery of Muskingum present the following report:—

By appointment of the First United Presbyterian Synod of the West, the Presbytery of Muskingum met in New Concord, Ohio, on the 16th of November, 1858, and after an opening sermon by S. Findley, D. D., was by him constituted by prayer. A roll of all the ministers within the bounds of the Presbytery, as defined by Synod, was made out, and officers were elected for the ensuing year. At that meeting, Rev. B. Waddle was released from the pastoral charge of Crooked Creek Congregation. At a meeting of Presbytery held in New Concord, on the 26th of January, 1859, Rev. James M. Henderson was released from the charge of New Concord Congregation.

At our meeting in Cambridge on the 13th of April, Rev. Wm. Lorimer was received on certificate of ministerial standing, from the Presbytery of Steubenville. At the same meeting, Mr. James White, a student of Theology, under the care of the Zanesville Presbytery of the Old School Presbyterian Church, was received under our care as a student of the 2d year. At the same meeting, the pastoral relation between Rev. Thomas Brown and Cambridge Congregation was dissolved. The pastoral relation between Rev. S. C. Reid and the congregations of Clear Fork and Ridge was also dissolved. At the same meeting, Rev. J. M. Henderson received a certificate with a view to connect with a sister Presbytery. Mr. Thomas M'Cartney having acceptably delivered the usual trials, was licensed to preach the gospel. Such are the items of Presbyterial business which we have to report.

We have at present under our care six unsettled ministers,—Rev. S. Findley, D. D., B. Waddle, John Wallace, J. H. Peacock, Thomas Brown and S. C. Reid.

There are two others in our bounds, namely,—Rev. Wm. Lorimer and Rev. James M'Neal, whom we regard as virtually settled, both of them having accepted calls, and arrangements having been made for their installation. Our licentiates are Joseph Walker, W. G. Waddle and Thomas M'Cartney.

We have also under our care 9 students of Theology, (to wit,) T. F. Baird, James M'Rea, S. C. Marshall, James White, R. P. Findley, Wm. Morrow, Joseph Morrow, W. G. Moorhead, and W. M. Graham.

One of our licentiates, Mr. A. P. Bell, has been lately called from his labours, as we trust, to enter upon the enjoyment of his rest. Consumption did its work. For more than a year he was unable to preach, and about the first of the present month he was called to give an account of his brief stewardship.

But while we are called to record the death of one of our licentiates, young, and full of promise, we have still reason to express our gratitude that so many of us are still spared, and permitted without interruption by sickness and disease to occupy our respective fields of labour.

We have not been furnished with sufficient material to prepare a satisfactory report in reference to the state of religion, and the success of ministerial labour within our bounds. The union consummated in Pittsburgh last May, appears to exert a salutary influence, not only upon members of the church, but also appears to be felt by those without. With the strength concentrated by the union, and the influence it appears to exert, we have encouragement, we think to hope, that with the blessing of God upon our labours, the United Church within our bounds will accomplish more for the cause of Christ and the salvation of souls than formerly has been accomplished by the separate elements.

By order of Presbytery, WM. JOHNSTON, H. FORSYTHE, } *Committee.*

Report of Presbytery of Monmouth.

To the General Assembly of the United Presbyterian Church, to meet in Xenia, O., May 18th, 1859, the Presbytery of Monmouth report:—

In accordance with a resolution of the Synod of Illinois, this Presbytery was organized in Monmouth, on the 8th of February, 1859.

Little business, of a nature to be embodied in a report, has been transacted since our organization.

At our meeting in Monmouth, Mr. S. S. Hamill was received under our care as a student of Theology, with the understanding that he will finish his literary studies.

At our meeting in April, Mr. J. Calvin Hutchison was received on certificate from the Presbytery of Springfield, under our care as a student of Theology.

At the same meeting, a call from the congregation of Clayton for the pastoral services of Mr. R. G. Wallace, a probationer under the care of the Presbytery of Xenia, was presented to Presbytery, and directed to be forwarded to the Presbytery of Xenia.

At the same meeting, Messrs. A. Conner and J. C. Hutchison were licensed as probationers for the Holy Ministry.

The congregations under our care are generally in a flourishing condition. There has been a steady increase in the number of members in most of our vacancies, several of which are ready for the settlement of a pastor.

In view of the increased demand, both in the Home and Foreign field, upon the liberality of the church; and in view of the necessity of proportionably increased efforts on the part of the church to meet this demand; the Presbytery would respectfully recommend to Synod the adoption of some general system for the regulation of congregations, in taking up their contributions for the various benevolent purposes recognised by the Synod.

A report on the state of religion within our bounds, and a statistical table accompany this report.

By order of Presbytery, ALEXANDER YOUNG, *Moderator.*
J. A. P. M'GAW, *Clerk.*

Report of Presbytery of Monmouth on the State of Religion.

To the General Assembly of the United Presbyterian Church, to meet in Xenia, May 18th, 1859, the Presbytery of Monmouth would present the following report on the State of Religion:—

While there is much in the state of religion within our bounds that calls for shame and confusion of face, yet there is also ground, we believe, for rejoicing with trembling.

As matter furnishing ground of rejoicing we would mention—

1. That, from the reports which have come up to us from our congregations, we have reason to believe that peace and harmony and brotherly love prevail to an encouraging extent among our people. Cases of discipline of such a nature as to give occasion to the enemy to blaspheme are, happily, rare.

2. The increase in our congregations by examination is considerably larger than during the previous year.

3. The attendance upon the ordinances of the sanctuary is generally encouraging. The duties of family religion, as far as we have reports on this subject, are conscientiously attended to by the great mass of our members. Sabbath-schools are established and flourishing in the greater number of our congregations. Meetings for social prayer are kept up in nearly all our churches.

We must lament that the liberality of our churches in contributing to benevolent purposes falls so far below the Scriptural standard as it does; yet, considering the present stringency in financial matters in the west, we would hope that the falling off in benevolent contributions, is due rather to a want of ability than of disposition on the part of our members to help forward the benevolent operations of the church. By order of Presbytery, J. A. P. M'GAW, *Clerk.*

Report of Presbytery of Sidney.

To the General Assembly of the United Presbyterian Church, to meet in Xenia, O., May 18th, 1859, the Presbytery of Sidney would respectfully report—

That by the good hand of our Covenant God upon us, the lives of all our members have been spared during the ecclesiastical year just drawing to a close, and such a good degree of health has been enjoyed that we have been enabled to labour

with increased zeal and more than ordinary success in our Master's cause. For these tokens of the Divine favour, we would desire to be duly grateful, and would be stimulated by them to still greater activity in his service.

In the transaction of the business of Presbytery, which has been altogether of the ordinary kind, a most agreeable harmony and good feeling has prevailed. Our numerical strength has been increased within the year by the reception of Revs. J. B. Johnston and Benjamin Waddle, the former from the Reformed Presbyterian Church, (O. S.,) and the latter from the United Presbytery of Muskingum; as also, by the Union, so happily consummated a year ago, whereby Revs. James Wallace, I. N. Laughead, and J. L. Bull, together with their congregations, have been added to our list. On the other hand we have dismissed Revs. D. Paul, T. Calahan, and William Wright, who have gone to labour in other parts of the United Church.

Revs. Wright and Mc Hatton were released from their respective Pastoral charges at our late meeting in Kenton. Our Presbytery consists at present of 10 ministers, 5 settled, and 5 without charge; one of the latter, however, Rev. C. T. M'Caughan, is Principal of the United Presbyterian Female Seminary at Urbana.

We have one Probationer, William H. Jeffers, who has just completed his Theological course in the Seminary at Xenia, and has just been licensed; and one Student, who has been pursuing his studies privately under the direction of Presbytery for a year past, and is at the same time engaged in teaching. Our organized congregations, settled and vacant, are 15 in number, besides several missionary stations. A large part of our territory, in the north-western part of the state, is as yet almost unoccupied by any labourers from our branch of the Church. Over this boundary, we have a number of families scattered, which might, with others, be gathered as nuclei of congregations, had we the men and means to explore the territory and look after them. There are also within the region referred to, several large and flourishing cities and towns, which should be visited with a view of establishing churches of our order in them, if found practicable. We would especially call the attention of the Assembly to the cities of Sandusky, Toledo, Maumee, and Perrysburgh, and ask that men be appointed to missionate in some, or all of these places, and means appropriated for their support; if found consistent with the claims of our Church in other places, where labour and means have already been expended.

In regard to the state of religion in our bounds, we have the pleasure to report a measure of revival in some places, and in all, we think, an increased interest in attending on the means of grace, especially the prayer meetings, Bible classes, and the preached word. Still there are many things which we have to deplore. We would specify the neglect on the part of many professing parents to give to their children a thorough religious training by means of the Catechisms; a neglect of, or irregular attendance upon family worship, a looseness of conduct and conversation on the Sabbath, and an increasing tendency in the age, to unite with secret societies, and to form outside associations, moral and social, for doing the work which belongs appropriately to the Church, and for which she was especially called into existence.

That the great Master of Assemblies may be present with you, preside over your deliberations, and conduct you to wise and righteous conclusions in all matters that may come before you, is the prayer of your brethren in Christ.

By order of Presbytery, S. Wallace, J. McHatton, } *Committee.*

Report of Presbytery of Chilicothe.

To the General Assembly of the United Presbyterian Church, the Presbytery of Chilicothe report:—

The United Presbyterian Presbytery of Chilicothe was constituted on the 20th April last. The number of Pastors in connexion with our Presbytery is 7; of unsettled Ministers 3. We have one foreign missionary, Mr. M'Cague. We have under our care 6 vacancies, one of which is ripe for settlement. Peace prevails among us. The word and ordinances are administered, it is hoped, with some success. We are endeavoring to nourish our vacancies, and we hope that in time some of them will become self-sustaining congregations. A statistical table accompanies this report.

By order of Presbytery,

D. Macdill, *Clerk.*

Report of Bloomington Presbytery.

To the General Assembly of the United Presbyterian Church of North America, to meet in Xenia, O., May 18th, 1859, the Bloomington Presbytery would respectfully report:

In accordance with an act of the U. P. Synod of Illinois, the Bloomington Presbytery was organized in the city of Peoria, Ill., Dec. 22d, 1858. At the time of the organization, there were eight ordained ministers, five settled congregations, five vacancies, and three missionary stations within the boundaries of our Presbytery. At our meeting in Bloomington, 11th of April, 1859, a call from White Oak Grove congregation, addressed to W. R. Erskine, was by him accepted, and arrangements were made for his installation. J. S. McCullough, formerly under the care of the Big Spring Presbytery, was received as a probationer, and arrangements were made for his ordination and installation as pastor of the Peoria congregation. The past year has been one of great severity, especially to our weak congregations. The financial condition of a majority of our people is truly embarrassing. And the result is, that there is a falling off in all our benevolent contributions, including ministers' salaries. Yet while God in his providence is thus seemingly frowning on us, we have reason to believe that he is not withholding entirely from us the blessings of his grace. There seems to be an improvement in the tone of religion in our congregations, yet we have been favoured with but little of the religious awakening, with which many parts of the country have been refreshed. Our field of labour is large, and but little explored —it is emphatically a missionary field, and one that needs immediate cultivation. The harvest is truly plenteous, but the labourers are few. Multitudes are straying in paths of unrighteousness, and perish for lack of the bread and water of life. We humbly hope and trust, that the Assembly will not overlook our claims on their paternal care. Some of our congregations, as Peoria and Bloomington, are not self-sustaining, yet the vital interests of the cause of Christ depend very much on sustaining the ordinances in these places. On glancing over our field of labour, our hearts are pained at the thought, that we have so little means to occupy the vast territory now opening up so invitingly before us within our bounds. Yet the Presbytery are happy to know, that the Assembly are about to initiate a new order of things in the mode of conducting the missionary affairs of the church, and we humbly trust and pray that your honourable body may be directed by Infinite Wisdom, to devise such means as shall secure greater system and efficiency in the mode of conducting and sustaining all the benevolent enterprises of our beloved Zion.

G. D. Henderson, *Moderator.*
P. H. Drennen, *Clerk.*

Report of Presbytery of the Lake.

In accordance with the act of the First Synod, the Lake Presbytery was organized at Cochranton on the 9th of Nov. 1859.

Presbytery consists of eleven ministerial members. With the exception of Father Snodgrass, whose health is feeble, these are actively engaged in the prosecution of their appropriate work.

The Union works well. We are encouraged to believe that the pleasure of the Lord is prospering in our hands. The demand for ministerial labour is largely on the increase. Two congregations have been organized, viz.: Coopertown on the 20th December, 1858; Utica on the 18th April, 1859.

So far as we can judge from reports sent up by our congregations, there appears to be an improvement in the state of religion in our bounds. This is manifested by an encouraging accession, on profession, to our congregations generally; but, particularly, an increased attention to and interest in Prayer Meetings, Bible Classes, and Sabbath Schools.

A statistical table accompanies this report.

By order of Presbytery,

Matthew Snodgrass, *Moderator.*
Jos. H. Pressly, *Clerk.*

Report of the Presbytery of Saratoga.

West Kortright, N. Y., May 4th, 1859.

The Presbytery of Saratoga respectfully report—That under the good providence of God, the churches of our care have enjoyed a good degree of prosperity. The word and ordinances during the past year have been administered, we trust, with faithfulness, and have been attended with good results. The lives and general health of the ministers have been preserved with one exception. Our venerable father and co-presbyter, the late Rev. James Laing, for nearly a quarter of a century, pastor of

the churches of Andes and Cabin Hill—rests from his labours. Our Presbytery deeply feel and mourn the loss of a faithful and efficient fellow-labourer.

—That there are nine churches under our care, two only, Kortright centre and Stamford, having protested against the Union.

—That the churches of Broadalbin and W. Charlton, vacant at our last report, have since been provided with able and faithful pastors.

—That four vacancies remain, including the two caused by the decease of brother Laing. They are all ripe for settlement; and we ask of General Assembly in their behalf, a due share of the supplies at its disposal.

All of which is respectfully submitted. JOHN ERSKINE, *Moderator.*
ADD. HENRY, *Clerk.*

Report of the Presbytery of Southern Indiana.

To the General Assembly of the United Presbyterian Church, to meet in Xenia, Ohio, May, 1859, the Presbytery of Southern Indiana would respectfully report:—

In accordance with the arrangement of the Second Synod of the West, the brethren within our prescribed limits met at Bloomington, Ind., May 13th, 1859, and in connexion with the ruling elders constituted the Presbytery.

At this meeting all the ministerial members were present, except Rev. J. D. McNay, who is understood to have connected himself with a presbytery that has disowned the constitutional acts and withdrawn from under the jurisdiction of the Associate Synod of North America.

With a few exceptions our people have heartily approved of our ecclesiastical union. These exceptions arise perhaps more from a desire of being better acquainted with the terms of the union, than from any aversion to union with brethren beloved in the Lord.

At our meeting we received an application from the minority of the congregation of Portland, Putnam Co., Ind., asking for supplies—the majority having joined in the protest of their pastor, Rev. Jas. Dickson. Whereupon it was determined that with the consent of the Presbytery of Michigan, we were willing to take them under our jurisdiction and grant them supplies.

It might be well to state farther that since the last meeting of our supreme judicatory, a congregation has been organized at Elizabeth, in Harrison Co., Ind., in the month of July last. As also that the congregation of West Union, White Co., Ill., with their pastor elect, Rev. Thomas Turner, have been received from the First Presbytery of Illinois, in pursuance of the act of the last General Synod of the Associate Reformed Church, and by the consent of the two Synods and two Presbyteries concerned.

At our meeting, on the recommendation of the Board of Superintendents of the Xenia Theological Seminary, Mr. John W. Bain was taken on trials and licensed to preach the gospel as a probationer for the holy ministry.

At the same meeting we received under our care, as a student of Theology of the second year, Mr. William T. Moffet, of the Monmouth Theological Seminary.

We have four pastors, and two pastors-elect, whose installations are expected to take place at the earliest convenience of the parties, one probationer and one student of Theology.

With reference to the interests of religion, we have reason to believe, that the cause of our Holy Redeemer is making encouraging progress within our bounds.

Respectfully submitted, J. L. CRAIG, *Clerk of Presbytery.*

Report of Stamford Presbytery.

The state of religion within our bounds during the past year does not present any remarkably new features. In the many tokens of the Divine favour we have enjoyed, in the outward peace continued to our Zion, and in the preservation of the lives and health of all our ministerial members, we have cause for gratitude and praise. We are also encouraged to hope that the work of the ministry committed to us is blessed by the Head of the Church as a means of gathering sinners into his fold as well as of strengthening and edifying those who are already gathered. While none of our congregations are diminishing, some of them are considerably on the increase. But few important changes have taken place since our last annual report. At a meeting of Presbytery on the 17th of June, Rev. Robert Acheson was installed as pastor of the congregation of Dumfries, where he has since been labouring with acceptance and encouragement. On the 22d of October, a congregation was organized in the village of Komoka, which has since been statedly supplied by Rev. J. B. Wilson. In Merrittville, the county seat of Welland, Brother McAllister has been preaching for

about a year with encouraging prospects. This place will be united with Port Robinson as a pastoral charge. We ask for these two places the amount granted last year to Port Robinson, $100. In Morrisdale, Huron county, we have an urgent request for preaching, from numbers of our own people lately settled there, and others who would join with them: this is a promising field that we must occupy. A petition was also laid before Presbytery in October last by certain persons in London, praying that a station be established in that growing city, but as we had neither men nor money at our disposal, we were unable to grant it. We forward this request to the General Assembly, hoping it may receive the careful consideration of the Board of Home Missions. We earnestly entreat the Board to devise liberal things for this place, believing that if properly nourished it will rapidly grow and ultimately become a self-sustaining congregation. In behalf of Morrisdale and London, we therefore ask the General Assembly for the services of an energetic missionary, and $300 to sustain him for one year; and we are encouraged to make this application from the fact, that there is a legacy of twelve hundred dollars, the bequest of a late member of this presbytery, now about to come into your hands.

This Presbytery has been pursuing a course of visitation in the several congregations under its charge that seems to be exercising a beneficial influence.

In reference to the union consummated last year under such favourable auspices, our Presbytery adopted resolutions expressing gratification with the result at which the churches had arrived and thanksgiving to Him, who buildeth up Jerusalem and gathereth together the outcasts of Israel.

Respectfully submitted by order of Presbytery,

DAVID H. GOODWILLIE, *Pres. Clerk.*

Report of the Presbytery of Indiana.

To the General Assembly of the United Presbyterian Church of North America, to meet at Xenia, O., May 18th, A. D. 1859.

Dear Fathers and Brethren:—The union has operated very favourably to the interests of religion within the bounds of our Presbytery. Thanks to the King and Head of the Church, our hopes regarding the union have been more than realized, while our fears seem to have resulted from want of faith in Him, who prayed "that they all may be one."

Although we have experienced no very remarkable manifestations of the Holy Spirit, yet the presence of Him who "walketh in the midst of the seven golden candlesticks," seems to be with us still, our churches appear to be in a very healthy and prosperous condition. Their numerical strength is slowly but steadily increasing. More interest than usual is taken in the preaching of the word—the prayer meeting—the Sabbath-school, and all the outward means of grace. Our people are increasing in the grace of liberality also. But after all, brethren, we have much formality, selfishness, and religious indifference over which to mourn, while for all that is praiseworthy we render thanks to "Him that loved us."

At an adjourned meeting held in Xenia, O., Rev. Thomas Dixon was received into our Presbytery on a certificate of good ministerial standing, from the Second Presbytery of Illinois. This brother has been labouring faithfully in Caledonia during the past synodical year. He seems much encouraged, and the congregation desires to enjoy his ministrations as a stated supply, for at least another year.

Rev. G. Small has been labouring in the city of Indianapolis, as a stated supply, since the beginning of July last. Thus far his labours appear to have been blessed. His audience has been gradually increasing and still continues to increase, while about eighteen persons have been added to the church. We still commend this important missionary station to the fostering care of the General Assembly, and request the services of its stated supply for another year.

A statistical table accompanies this report.

That Jehovah Jesus may preside over our united church, and guide its members in the path of duty, is the prayer of your brethren in Christ.

M. ARNOT, *Moderator.*
J. R. WALKER, *Clerk.*

Report of the Presbytery of Big Spring.

To the General Assembly of the United Presbyterian Church of North America, to meet in Xenia, O., May 18th, 1859, the Presbytery of Big Spring would present the following report:—

The only business that we have transacted during the past year, which it is necessary that we should report to you, is the following—

At a meeting held in Chambersburg, Pa., November 11th, 1858, Mr. Wm. M'Elwee, having been previously received under our care as a licentiate from the Presbytery of Monongahela, was ordained to the office of the holy ministry, and installed pastor of the united charge of Chambersburg and Gettysburg. That you may enjoy the presence and blessing of the King of Zion is the prayer of your brethren in the Lord. WM. CARLISLE, *Clerk.*

Report of Presbytery of Monongahela.

To the General Assembly of the United Presbyterian Church of North America, to meet in Xenia, O., May 18th, 1859, respectfully report:—

The following statement will apprize you of our operations for the past year—

Settlements.—Rev. H. C. M'Farland was installed pastor over the united congregations of Hebron and East Liberty on the 22d of June, 1858.

Rev. Alexander Calhoun was installed pastor over the united congregations of Mansfield and Temperanceville, by a committee of Presbytery, 21st of December, 1858.

Rev. James Prestley was installed pastor over the Second United Presbyterian Congregation of Pittsburgh, 28th of December, 1858.

Rev. J. D. Glenn was installed pastor over the United Congregations of Mifflin and Jefferson, by a committee of Presbytery, 25th of February, 1859.

Rev. William M. Coleman was ordained to the office of the holy ministry, and installed pastor over the Birmingham Congregation, 12th of April, 1859.

Dissolution of Pastoral Relations.—Rev. George K. Ormond was released from the charge of the Birmingham Congregation, 22d of June, 1858.

Dismissions.—Rev. B. K. Ormond to Presbytery of Lawrence, 13th of August, 1858. Rev. Addison Henry to Presbytery of Saratoga, 9th of September, 1858. Rev. John H. Young to Presbytery of Iowa, 5th of October, 1858. Rev. William M'Elwee to Presbytery of Big Spring, 5th of October, 1858. Rev. James Haggerty to Presbytery of Allegheny, 5th of October, 1858. Rev. James A. Clarke to Presbytery of Butler, 2d of November, 1858. Mr. James T. Wilson (student of Theology) to the Presbytery of Allegheny, 9th of February, 1859. Rev. Samuel R. Kerr to Presbytery of Allegheny, 9th of February, 1859.

Receptions.—Rev. James Prestley from Associate Reformed Presbytery of New York, 9th of October, 1858. Rev. Alexander Calhoun from A. R. Presbytery of Mansfield, 3d of November, 1858. Rev. J. D. Glenn from A. R. Presbytery of Michigan, 28th of December, 1858. Rev. William Coleman from United Presbyterian Presbytery of Allegheny, 29th of December, 1858. Rev. John A. Campbell from U. P. Presbytery of Butler, 8th of February, 1859. Rev. J. C. Bryson and pastoral charge at Mt. Gilead, under the resolution of Synod, 12th of April, 1859.

Licensures.—Mr. J. C. Nevin, 29th of December, 1858, and Mr. Lafayette Marks, 13th of April, 1859.

Students of Theology received under our care.—Mr. William M. Claybaugh on certificate from Presbytery of Butler, 9th of February, 1859. Messrs. James D. Turner, John S. M'Connell and David M. Ure on examination, 29th of December, 1858.

Dr. D. R. Kerr, who was appointed to sit with the committee of missions was instructed to ask for $300, to be applied to the support of missionary congregations and general missionary operations in the bounds of this Presbytery.

That you may be led, by the spirit of wisdom, so to counsel and act, that the glory of God and the prosperity of our beloved Zion may thereby be largely promoted, is the fervent prayer of your brethren in Christ.

H. C. M'FARLAND, *Moderator.*
R. GRACEY, *Clerk.*

Report of Presbytery of Cambridge.

North Argyle, April 26th, 1859.

The Presbytery of Cambridge, in giving in their report to the General Assembly of the United Presbyterian Church of North America, have to state, that whilst no very important changes have taken place amongst the various congregations within their bounds; they have much reason to record their tribute of thanks to the Great King and Head of the Church for the amount of health and strength that has been enjoyed in general by the different members, and also for the amount of interest which has been manifested amongst the people in reference to spiritual and eternal things.

Several conventions for religious exercises have been held during the year, and

have not only been warmly encouraged and sustained by the ministers in connexion with the United Presbyterian Church, but they have been zealously and cordially upheld by the brethren of this Presbytery; and have had, by the blessing of God, a happy influence amongst the people. Several of the meetings of Presbytery, and some of the communion seasons, have thus been brought to a close by setting apart a considerable portion of the day for religious conference and devotional exercises.

In reference to the business that has been transacted, and to which it may be desirable to allude in this report, Presbytery would state, that Mr. Thyne, who was received under their care last year as a student of Theology, has delivered several pieces of trial which have been sustained, and also that Mr. William Reid, after undergoing the necessary examinations, has been received as a student of Theology under their care.

Presbytery would also report that the Hebron congregation, the only vacancy as yet unsupplied with a stated ministry, has made out a call for Mr. W. Barr, which has been presented, and lies upon the table for his disposal.

Presbytery would entreat the General Assembly of the United Presbyterian Church to take immediate steps for preparing and publishing with the Testimony or Basis of Union, a Formula of Questions adapted to the ordination of ministers and other office-bearers in the house of God.

Finally, Presbytery would state that James P. M'Arthur, a licentiate in connexion with the United Presbyterian Church, died within their bounds on the 15th of April last. Thus God has been reminding us that we are but strangers here, and are liable at any moment to be called to give an account of our stewardship. May we have grace to improve every dispensation of His Providence, and "to do what our hands find to do with all our might." W. E. Henning, *Clerk.*

Report of the Presbytery of Westmoreland.

To the General Assembly to meet at Xenia, May 18th, 1859, the Presbytery of Westmoreland would respectfully report:—

According to the direction of the First U. P. Synod of the West, this Presbytery met at Turtle Creek, Oct. 27th, 1858, and was constituted with prayer by the Rev. J. Scroggs, D.D.

The Presbytery consists of the following members,—Revs. Jos. Scroggs, D.D., M. M'Kinstry, J. G. Fulton, Saml. Jamison, D. H. Pollock, Jas. Kelso, A. G. Wallace and J. H. Fife.

At our meeting in April last, a call was received from Puckety and Logan's Ferry Congregations, addressed to the Rev. Jas. Gwin, which was sustained as regular, and forwarded to Allegheny Presbytery, of which he is a member.

At the same meeting, Rev. J. G. Fulton, at his own request, was released from labouring in his pastoral charge for six months, on account of ill health. And as he designs spending the coming summer in California, this Presbytery would ask of the General Synod that he be permitted to organize a congregation in that place, should such an opportunity be afforded him.

The following preamble and resolution were adopted:—"Whereas experience has shown that the distribution of tracts among the irreligious has a happy effect, and Whereas, many of those published are objectionable on account of their doctrine or total want of doctrine; and none calculated to advance the cause of the U. P. Church, Therefore Resolved, That we ask the General Synod to take into consideration the propriety of the publication of suitable tracts and books; and to do so on the principle, that the sales of publication shall cover the entire cost, and return a profit for gratuitous distribution; and that the circulation be by the ordinary channels of trade, and the voluntary agency of societies and congregations."

Our Congregations generally, seem to be in a healthful condition. The work of the Lord appears to be prospering through our humble instrumentality. The accession of members to our Congregations has been greater during the last year than usual. Prayer-meetings have been established in many places within the bounds of our congregations; and we trust, that through the influence of the Holy Spirit, our members generally are increasing in personal piety and in interest in the cause of Christ both at home and abroad.

We would solicit the labours of three probationers for the coming year, and the fourth for six months.

A Statistical table accompanies this report. By order of Presbytery.

M. M'Kinstry, *Moderator,*
James Kelso, *Clerk.*

Report of Presbytery of Des Moines.

This Presbytery, in pursuance of an order from the Synod of Illinois of the U. P. Church, was organized on the 13th of Nov. 1858.

At that meeting, a call from the United Congregations of Service and Albia was presented to Rev. J. N. Pressly, and by him accepted.

A second meeting was held in the town of Wintersett, on the 4th of May. At this meeting, J. H. Young was received, on certificate, from the Presbytery of Monongahela, and A. C. Tris from the Associate Presbytery of Iowa. A large number of reports were handed in from vacancies and preaching stations. From these reports we are justified in saying that the demand for word and ordinance within our bounds is greater than it has been at any time previous. A wide door is now opened for the general diffusion of the gospel in our midst. Our territory is large, and the Macedonian cry comes up from every quarter.

On account of the commercial crisis and the failure of crops of the last year, our people are suffering in their temporal affairs; but we believe are in a better spiritual condition than at any former period. In the midst of temporal destitution, God has poured out his Spirit, and stirred in the hearts of the people stronger desires for the "true bread," and a more wholesome appreciation of the privileges of Zion.

Now, more than ever we believe, is the time for the Church to cultivate the Home Mission field in the West. The "field is white and ready for the harvest." We pray that the Lord may send forth labourers into his harvest. The missionaries sent out by the Synods of last year have all fulfilled their appointments.

May the King and Head of Zion guide all your deliberations.

By order of Presbytery. R. A. M'AYEAL, *Committee.*

May 4th, 1859.

P. S.—Statistical tables accompany this report.

The reading of the Presbyterial Reports was suspended, in order to engage in devotional exercises.

On motion of Rev. B. L. Baldridge and Rev. Dr. Kerr, the following resolution was adopted:—

Resolved, That about 10½ o'clock, A. M., and 3½ o'clock, P. M., at the option of the Moderator, the ordinary business will be suspended, for not more than half an hour, to engage in religious exercises.

The hour having arrived, the Assembly adjourned. Closed with prayer by Rev. David Blair.

Friday Morning, May 20th.

The Assembly met and was opened with prayer by the Moderator.

Members generally present.

By general consent the following resolution, offered by Rev. Messrs. R. H. Pollock and D. W. Collins, was introduced and adopted:—

Resolved, That a Committee be appointed to prepare blanks for Statistical Tables for Presbyteries, to report this afternoon. Rev. Messrs. J. L. Craig, R. H. Pollock, and R. A. Browne, were appointed said Committee.

The Moderator announced, and the Assembly sustained the appointment of the following *Standing Committees:*—

Committee of Overtures:—Rev. Messrs. J. T. Pressly, D. D., Alex. Young, D. D., Thomas Hanna, D. D., J. B. Johnston, and John G. Smart.

Committee of Correspondence:—Rev. Messrs. J. T. Cooper, D. D., J. B. Dales, D. D., Thos. H. Beveridge, J. B. Scouller, and S. F. Morrow.

Committee of Accounts:—Rev. R. D. Harper, and Messrs. James M'Candless, John Alexander, Henry Harrison, and Thomas M'Cance.

Proceeded with the reading of Presbyterial Reports. The following were given in and read:—

Report of the Presbytery of St. Louis.

To the United Presbyterian General Assembly, the Presbytery of St. Louis would respectfully report:—

In accordance with the action of the U. P. Synod of Illinois, reorganizing the Presbyteries within her bounds, our Presbytery was organized April 13th ult.

The number of our ministerial members is eight, of whom six have pastoral charges, and one has charge of our Presbyterial Academy. Three of our vacancies are ripe for settlement; others are encouraging. Our field is large, and its necessitous condition calls loudly upon the church for increased efforts to preach the Gospel and build up the Redeemer's kingdom.

We have received at this meeting Rev. Daniel Steele, on certificate, from the Presbytery of Kaskaskia, (O. S. Presbyterian.) Mr. Duncan T. M'Auley is under the care of the Presbytery, as a student of Theology.

A call was received from Hopewell Congregation, addressed to Rev. Wm. Wright of the Presbytery of Sidney, which, upon his connexion with this Presbytery, was placed in his hands and accepted by him, and his installation provided for at an early day. The moderation of a call was granted to Unity Congregation.

A call left on our table by the First A. R. Presbytery of Illinois, from Bethel Cong. addressed to Mr. J. E. Taylor, under the care of the Presbytery of Monongahela, was returned to the congregation, as it was understood that there was no prospect of his acceptance of it. The moderation of a call was granted to that Congregation.

As to the state of religion in our churches, we fondly hope that reviving influences are enjoyed in some degree. Encouraging attention is generally given to the means of grace, and a goodly number have been added to our churches during the past year. Respectfully submitted, W. A. Pollock, *Moderator.*
M. M. Brown, *Clerk.*

Report of Ohio Presbytery.

To the General Assembly of the United Presbyterian Church of North America, to meet at Xenia, on the 3d Wednesday of May, 1859.

In accordance with the order of the First United Presbyterian Synod of the West, the Presbytery of Ohio met at New Lisbon, Ohio, on the 14th day of December, 1858, and was constituted by Rev. David Goodwillie. At this meeting Rev. S. W. Clark resigned the pastoral charge of the Congregation of St. Clair. At the same time the Associate Reformed Congregation of St. Clair and the Associate Congregation of West Union were consolidated under the name of the United Presbyterian Congregation of Calcutta. At our meeting at East Palestine, April 12th, a call for Mr. J. T. Torrence, from the Congregations of Stow and Springfield, was sustained, and presented to the candidate, and by him accepted, on condition of some aid being granted, by the Board of Home Missions, to these Congregations. At the same meeting Rev. David Goodwillie resigned the pastoral charge of Poland Congregation, and his ministerial services are now confined to the Congregation of Liberty, the other part of his pastoral charge. A call from the Congregation of Wellsville, for Rev. J. Andrews, was received and sustained, and laid on the table for presentation at next meeting. The Congregations of Calcutta and East Liverpool were united in one pastoral charge, and are ripe for settlement. In most of our Congregations, Prayer-meetings and Sabbath-schools are established, and the state of religion in our bounds is encouraging. Respectfully submitted, by order of Presbytery.

David Goodwillie, *Mod.*
S. T. Herron, *Clerk.*

Report of the Presbytery of Kansas.

To the General Assembly of the U. P. Church to meet at Xenia, Ohio, May 18th, A. D. 1859. The Presbytery of Kansas reports:—

According to the order of the Synod of Illinois, the First United Presbyterian Presbytery of Kansas was organized at Leavenworth city, December 9th, 1858. Rev. John R. Slentz, oldest minister present, presiding.

Presbytery was constituted with the following ministers and elders present:—

Rev. John R. Slentz, Rev. James N. Smith and Rev. B. L. Baldridge. Elders, S. W. Greer and Alexander Garrett. At this meeting two organized congregations were reported, Berea in Franklin Co., and First of Leavenworth city. The following stations were also reported: Garnett, Americus, Manhattan, Atchison, Topeka, Lawrence, and Wyandott.

Mr. G. W. Torrence, licentiate in our bounds, was taken under the care of Presbytery.

At a meeting of Presbytery, held at Berea, April 1st, 1859, Rev. J. N. Smith reported the organization of a U. P. congregation at Americus, in Brackenridge Co., and a call from this newly organized congregation addressed to G. W. Torrence for one-half his time, was before Presbytery, and by order was put into the hands of Mr. Torrence, and by him accepted. Arrangements were made for the ordination and installation of this young brother at an early day.

A call from the congregation of Berea in Franklin County, addressed to Rev. J. N. Smith for one-half his time, was on presentation accepted, and arrangements made for his installation on the 10th inst.

It is with unfeigned gratitude to the *Great Shepherd* of Israel, we record this good disposition of these sheep in the wilderness to seek after under shepherds, who may go in and out before them, and break unto them the bread of life. And with the fostering care of the church, it is believed these congregations, now small and weak, will soon be self-sustaining, and able to exert an influence for good in this new and extended field of our moral culture.

During this meeting, also, Rev. J. D. Steel, of the Presbytery of Iowa, was on application received as a member of this Presbytery, on the statement of the clerk of Iowa Presbytery, to the effect that a certificate would be granted to the brother at the first meeting of their Presbytery.

It is pleasing to be able to state that a happy unanimity of feeling and brotherly love exists among the members of this newly formed Presbytery, and also among the people to whom we severally minister, and so far as we are able to judge there are pleasing indications of growth and spiritual prosperity in our bounds; not that we have enjoyed any marked outpouring of the *Spirit's* influences, but there is in all our respective fields of labour, a commendable spirit and earnest attention given to the administration of word and ordinances. Meetings for prayer during the week are common with us all. Encouraging Sabbath Schools have been established, and the private duties of religion, it is believed, are very generally regarded.

But, dear fathers and brethren, we live in the midst of abounding wickedness. Every form of error and every species of ungodliness is here manifested. We therefore feel not only our weakness but our danger, and we ask your sympathy and your prayers, that we may stand steadfast on these outposts of Zion, and that we may abound in every good word and work.

We cannot close this first report from this new and distant Presbytery, without earnestly appealing to *you*, for assistance to take possession of, and cultivate this new field of moral labour. There is a strong Presbyterian influence and sentiment prevalent all over the territory, and if you *will*, you may make strong the cause of our beloved Zion here. Trusting in your co-operation with us, and looking at the field around us, and looking to God for his blessing upon us, we are encouraged to labour and pray, and wait if need be, believing that though our beginnings are small, our latter end shall be greatly enlarged.

Done at Berea, this 4th day of April, 1859.

By order of Presbytery,

J. N. Smith, *Moderator.*
B. L. Baldridge, *Clerk.*

Report of Philadelphia Presbytery, (A. R.)

To the General Assembly of the United Presbyterian Church, to meet in Xenia, Ohio, May 18th, 1859, the (A. R.) Presbytery of Philadelphia beg leave to report as follows:—

Aug. 30, 1858, Mr. Andrew Watson was received under our care as a student of theology of the first year.

Nov. 10, 1858, Rev. A. C. Junkin was received on certificate from the Presbytery of Boston. Mr. Junkin has since been dismissed to connect himself with the Presbytery of Baltimore.

On the 15th of July last, the Presbytery, after a careful exploration of the city, determined to establish a mission in a needy district, in the south-eastern part of the city. The Synod's appointments of missionaries to labour in the field were, we regret to say, only partially fulfilled. This, together with other circumstances over which the Presbytery had no control, has operated very unfavourably to the cause. Still the field is open and inviting, and we therefore earnestly hope that the Synod will appoint an efficient missionary to labour permanently in this field, and also grant us the means of his support. In a field like this an occasional supply is worse than useless.

The state of religion in our congregations may be considered good. Attendance upon the means of grace is increasing. We have encouraging additions to our

membership. Our Sabbath Schools are in a flourishing condition. Besides the ordinary weekly congregational meetings on Wednesday and Friday evenings, our congregations have established numerous prayer meetings in different districts with encouraging results. We believe that family worship is more generally attended to than formerly. The contributions to missionary and kindred funds have been liberal. Altogether our hearts are greatly cheered, though conscious that many things need to be improved.

This Presbytery unite in the prayer of the memorial adopted by the Associate Presbytery of Philadelphia, in reference to the boundary line between the Presbyteries of Big Spring and Philadelphia.

R. Armstrong, *Moderator.*

By order of Presbytery,

G. C. Arnold, *S. Clerk.*

Done at Philadelphia, April 26, 1859.

Report of the Presbytery of Caledonia.

To the General Assembly of the United Presbyterian Church to meet in Xenia, May 18, 1859.

The Presbytery of Caledonia would respectfully report, that a call addressed by the congregation of Big Spring to Rev. Isaiah Faries, pastor of the congregation of Beulah, was received by us from the Presbytery of Big Spring, and the usual constitutional steps having been taken, it was presented to him at our meeting in Caledonia, June 15, 1858, and accepted. He was accordingly transferred to the Presbytery of Big Spring for installation.

Mr. F. M. Proctor having accepted a call from the congregation of Cuylerville, and having been transferred to us by the Presbytery of Mansfield, was, on the 9th of November last, ordained by us to the work of the gospel ministry, and installed pastor in that charge.

In the same month, Rev. P. C. Robertson was, by a commission, installed pastor of the church in Howard.

Two calls addressed to Mr. J. L. Robertson, one from the church of Beulah, and the other from the church of Geneva, were duly forwarded to the Presbytery of Steubenville. He has accepted the call from Geneva, and been transferred to us. His ordination and installation are appointed to take place on the 28th of June next.

The congregation of Sterling has made out a call for Mr. John Edgar; but we have not yet learned his decision respecting it.

At our meeting in Seneca, March 10, 1859, Rev. Geo. Patton asked and obtained testimonials for the purpose of connecting himself with the Rochester city Presbytery, (O. S.) The pastoral connexion between him and the congregation of Seneca, being thereby dissolved, it is now vacant.

We have nothing special to report concerning the state of religion within our bounds.

All which is respectfully submitted.

P. C. Robertson, *Moderator.*

Report of Butler Presbytery.

To the General Assembly of the United Presbyterian Church, to meet in Xenia the 18th of May, 1859, the Butler Presbytery would report:

The Butler Presbytery was constituted on the twenty-sixth day of October, 1858, in Kittaning, as directed by order of the First Synod of the West. Since then, these are the changes which have taken place among us: the pastoral relation existing between Rev. John A. Campbell and Fairview and Mount Vernon Congregations, has been dissolved, and testimonials of ministerial standing and dismission have been given Rev. Mr. Campbell, to connect himself with a sister Presbytery. Rev. William Smith has been released from the Concord branch of his charge, and his tender of the demission of Rich Hill Congregation, now lies on our table, awaiting the action of Presbytery. Mr. James A. Clark was received on certificate from the Presbytery of Allegheny as a probationer for the holy ministry, and having accepted a call from the congregations of Prospect and Mount Chestnut, he has been "separated unto the gospel" of Jesus, by "the laying on of the hands of the Presbytery," and installed pastor of said charge. A call was presented to us from Portersville and Mountville, addressed to Rev. Mr. Irons, which we have forwarded to his Presbytery for presentation; and we hope it will be accepted. We have one student of theology under our care, Mr. R. M. Patterson.

As a United Church in this part of the heritage of the Lord of hosts, we believe

we are enjoying blessings from Zion's King, and are doing what we can to occupy the land.

A report on the state of religion among us, accompanies this, and also a statistical table. By order of Presbytery.

SAMUEL KERR, *Moderator.*
J. N. DICK, *Clerk.*

Report on the State of Religion. Butler Presbytery.

The Presbytery of Butler would make the following report on the state of religion in our bounds:

During the past year our congregations have not enjoyed any special outpouring of the Spirit of God, and hence we have no great changes to report. Our ministers have been labouring zealously and well, and the work of the Lord has been going forward with a good degree of success.

In some of our congregations the results of the past year's labours are not such as to give much gladness to our hearts—in fact we must sadly say they are not growing in grace. But in others there is a manifest increase in Christian life,—manifest not only in the increase of church members, but also in prosperous Sabbath Schools, and in prayer meetings, and in the giving of their worldly wealth for the cause of Christ, and in family religion, and their walk and conversation in the world. In almost every congregation the prayer meeting and Sabbath School exist; in some there are two or three of these in a prosperous condition. The interest felt both in our prayer meetings and Sabbath Schools, is much more than was formerly, and these we believe are exerting a salutary influence on the religious condition both of the old and young among us. As a general thing our people attend well upon the public means of grace, and seem to take pleasure in meeting with God in Zion's gates, and in a good degree are doing what they can to educate their children in the nurture and admonition of the Lord. As a Presbytery we are at peace among ourselves, and we trust the blessing of God has rested and will yet rest upon our labours. By order of Presbytery.

SAMUEL KERR. *Moderator.*
J. N. DICK, *Clerk.*

Report of the Presbytery of Michigan.

To the General Assembly of the United Presbyterian Church, to meet in Xenia, May 18th, 1859.

The Presbytery of Michigan report the following items of business:

At our meeting in Bethsaida, October 12th, 1858, Rev. J. D. Glen presented a demit of the pastoral charge of the Salem congregation, which was accepted, and a certificate of good ministerial standing was granted, to connect with a sister Presbytery.

At the same meeting a certificate of good ministerial standing was granted to Rev. B. L. Baldridge to connect with a sister Presbytery.

At the same meeting a call was presented by the Warren congregation, to David Morrow, for one-half of his time, which was by him accepted, and he was installed pastor of said congregation, on the 15th of November last.

At the same meeting, a call from Camden and Mount Hope was presented, for Mr. Thomas Mercer, a probationer under the care of the Chilicothe Presbytery, which was laid on the table till an opportunity to present it to him.

At a called meeting in Xenia, October 15th, 1858, Rev. Thomas Calahan presented a certificate of good ministerial standing, from the Presbytery of Sidney, and was received by Presbytery, and his name added to our roll.

At a called meeting in Camden, January 19th, 1859, Mr. Thomas Mercer presented a certificate of licensure from the Presbytery of Chilicothe, and was received under our care as a probationer.

At this meeting, Mr. Mercer preached the discourses assigned to him as trials for ordination, and was ordained to the office of the holy ministry, and installed pastor of the United congregations of Camden and Mount Hope.

At our meeting in Centreville, April 8th, 1859, Mr. J. H. Tedford presented a certificate from the Presbytery of Southern Indiana, as a student of theology, and was received under our care.

The following resolution was adopted by Presbytery:—This Presbytery earnestly desire that the General Synod will immediately engage in the revision of our version of the Psalms. By order of Presbytery.

DAVID MORROW, *Clerk.*

Report of Presbytery of Michigan on the State of Religion.

To the General Assembly of the United Presbyterian Church, to meet at Xenia, O., May 19th, 1859.

The Presbytery of Michigan report on the state of religion as follows:

That while we have no very striking evidences of great awakenings and conversion of sinners, yet we would express our gratitude to the Saviour for some blessings of his grace. Our congregations, that had been long depressed and saddened by the removal or death of their pastors, have been revived by the settlement of young and efficient ministers, to gladden their hearts with the joys of our Redeemer's grace; others have the same in prospect. Vacancies, from occasional watering, have been stirred up, and had accessions to their numbers, when they seemed almost sunk into despair.

The effect of the late union has created an inquiry and devotedness to religious interests, which evidence a much better state of things within our bounds than has existed for some years past.

Prayer meetings and Sabbath Schools are on the increase. We have yet at least four other places destitute of settled pastors, ripe for settlement, which are looking forward to our next General Assembly with ardent hopes for those whom God has called to take charge of their souls, to feed them with the refreshings of the Saviour's love, and lead them on with the Lord's hosts to victory and glory.

The attendance on public ordinances is good; but we fear that family religion, parental instruction, and closet devotions, are too much neglected.

The lives of our ministers have been preserved and blessed to perform their duties to a good degree of faithfulness. The prospects before us appear propitious for good. and harmony in the churches and ministerial love are encouraging and gratifying. All of which is respectfully submitted.

Centreville, Michigan, April 11th, 1859. THOMAS MERCER, S. C. BALDRIDGE, } *Committee.*

Report of the Presbytery of Washington.

To the General Assembly of the United Presbyterian Church, to meet in Xenia, Ohio.

The Presbytery of Washington would respectfully report:

That during last June the Rev. J. C. Forsythe was received by certificate from the Presbytery of Wheeling, and was installed as pastor of the church in Salem. In July, Mr. G. Hamilton Robertson was ordained to the gospel ministry, and installed in the pastorate of the Hebron congregation. In December, Mr. John Harper was also ordained and installed over the church in Lisbon, thus leaving our Presbytery without any vacancy.

In September, Mr. William John Robinson was licensed to preach the gospel, and is at the disposal of your Committee on Missions, during the summer.

Last October the Rev. T. T. Farrington, and the church in Oxbow, declined the authority of this Presbytery, on account of its friendliness to the Union. Presbytery has not yet taken final action upon their paper of declinature.

Upon the subject of religion, we have nothing very special to report; and yet our hearts are very much encouraged, for God is not leaving us without precious tokens of His covenant love. The attendance upon public ordinances, Sabbath Schools, Bible classes, and prayer meetings is good; and the spirit manifested is deferential and serious. Encouraging additions have also been made to the communion of the church, from among her own youth, and also from the bosom of the world. We hope and pray that God's gracious dispensation to our land at present, may lead us all to be less worldly, and to be more consecrated to Christ.

By order of Presbytery. J. B. SCOULLER, *Clerk pro tem.*

Report of the Presbytery of Albany.

The Presbytery of Albany would report, that during the past year the following changes have taken place within their bounds:

In June last, Rev. Andrew Thomas was installed pastor of the congregation of Johnstown. In July following, Rev. D. S. McHenry was installed pastor of the congregation of York and Covington, and on the 5th of the present month, Mr. Robert D. Williamson, having accepted a call from the congregation of Lansingville, and having delivered the usual trials, was ordained to the office of the holy ministry, and installed pastor of said congregation. Mr. James Howie has been dismissed, at his own request, in order to connect himself with a branch of the church in Canada.

We have nothing very special to report on the subject of religion within our bounds. In most of our congregations respectable additions have been made to the membership; and in all an encouraging state of religion exists. As compared with former years, there is a greatly increased interest in our prayer-meetings; not only as to the number of meetings held, but also as to the number attending them, and taking part in the exercises, and in the spirituality and solemnity manifested. Yet while we give thanks for the evidences of God's goodness to us, our prayer is, that He would revive his work yet more and more.

Our congregations are highly gratified with the results of the late negotiations for union. And our prayer is that brotherly love may continue. That you may enjoy the presence of the Spirit in your Assembly, and may be directed by that wisdom which cometh down from above, is our earnest prayer.

Respectfully submitted. By order of Presbytery, P. BULLIONS, *Moderator.*
May 10th, 1859.

Report of the Presbytery of Vermont.

The Presbytery of Vermont, in presenting their annual report, feel grateful to the great Head of the Church for his kindness to them during the past year. We have enjoyed a good degree of peace and prosperity. The public worship of God has been kept up in the settled congregations and the ordinances of religion have been duly observed. The Sabbath has been sanctified and the Sanctuary well attended. The young have been taught in Sabbath Schools the doctrines and duties of our holy religion. Some have been added to the church. Death, always busy, has been doing its work in our midst. On the 14th day of December last, the Rev. William Pringle departed this life. Though his death was sudden, it was not unexpected to him, and, we trust, he was prepared for the sudden change. None of the three preachers appointed to supply in this Presbytery fulfilled their appointments. One of them sent no notice of failure and no excuse for it. The other two sent notice, accompanied with excuses, one of which we sustained. The lack of their services has no doubt been detrimental to our vacancies. It is very desirable that the Assembly would adopt such measures as would have a tendency to prevent inexcusable failures in such cases. It is with pleasure that we state, that the two congregations of Ryegate have united, and requested the labours of one Missionary the most of the year.

The appropriation of $100.00 for the congregation of Greensboro' is still needed and urgently solicited. A statistical table accompanies this report. Included in the sums mentioned in the table, are $14.00 from the female society in the congregation of Ryegate, $14.82 from the female society in Mr. Goodwillie's congregation in Barnet, and $35.00, the third annual payment from individuals in the same congregation for the support of a pupil in the school of the India Mission. Rev. Thomas Goodwillie is appointed our delegate to the General Assembly.

Respectfully submitted by order of Presbytery, G. CAMPBELL, *Moderator,*
T. GOODWILLIE, *Clerk.*

Report of the Presbytery of Keokuk.

To the General Assembly of the United Presbyterian Church, to meet in Xenia, May, 1859.

The United Presbytery of Keokuk would respectfully report that, according to the direction of Synod, the Presbytery of Keokuk was organized at Washington, on the 2nd Wednesday of November, 1858, and in the good providence of God, the lives of all our ministerial members have been preserved, and they have been enabled to labour with some degree of encouragement and success.

As to the state of religion amongst us, we cannot report any remarkable awakening.

The Union, in all of our Congregations, works well, and has encouraged us greatly. Yet we have to regret that a few members of some of our congregations, have not seen their way clear to unite with us, owing to a fear that the United Church would not faithfully maintain her testimony in behalf of truth.

The following changes have taken place in our bounds. Rev. J. Brown has demitted the pastoral care of the congregation of Keokuk, and his whole time is employed in Keokuk City.

Rev. A. Story also has demitted the pastoral charge of Grandview, and his whole time is taken by Columbus City.

A statistical table accompanies this report. We would request as liberal a supply of men and means to be granted to us, as may be consistent with the wants of other parts of the church.

Owing to the monetary pressure, our congregations have not been able to contribute as largely to missions as formerly. Nor can they do as much to procure a supply of ordinances for themselves; and therefore, we trust that the Assembly will grant us such an amount of aid as will enable us properly to cultivate the field under our care. In reference to this, we have made a more particular report to the Board of Missions.

S. M'Arthur, *Moderator*,
W. H. Wilson, *Presbytery's Clerk*.

Report of the Presbytery of Conemaugh.

To the General Assembly of the U. P. Church, to meet in Xenia, on the 18th of May, A. D., 1859, the United Presbytery of Conemaugh reports the following:

Rev. D. Blair was released from the charge of the Union congregation. Rev. S. Anderson was released from the congregation of Indiana, and settled at Olivet in connexion with Union. Rev. B. Porter was released from Crete, and his whole time given to the other branches of his charge, Elderton and Shelocta. Rev. J. C. Green was released from Union (East,) and his whole time given to Centre and Mechanicsburg. Rev. John Todd was released from the Jefferson branch of his charge. Rev. J. L. Purdy was released from his entire charge; to take effect on the 1st of July. Rev. W. Conner settled, in pursuance of calls, at Blairsville and Conemaugh. Rev. M. H. Wilson received and accepted a call, for one-third of his time, from Crete, and will be speedily installed in that congregation in connexion with Jacksonville, his present charge.

Mr. Joseph M'Cartney, a Student of Theology, under care of Presbytery, was, after due trials, licensed to preach the everlasting gospel.

During the past year, we have been called to mourn the loss of our dear brothers, Rev. Thomas Gilkerson, and A. Lowman. They were beautiful in their lives, and in death they were not divided. They died in the comfortable hope of a glorious life with the Great Master whom they had served.

The state of religion, as indicated by congregational reports, is more than ordinarily encouraging. The Union has produced some changes in the location of Pastors, but has been exceedingly favourable to the interests of the church in general. The happiest state of feeling existed generally, when the two churches, now united, were intermingled. The Presbytery has taken steps to initiate an Independent Missionary Fund, auxiliary to the general operations of the United Church, and intended to meet the pressing wants of our own extended missionary territory. As much as was practicable has already been done, in exploring the vast field north and east of our settlements, and it is the purpose of Presbytery to prosecute vigorously the work during the present year, if sufficient men and means can be obtained. Our delegates are instructed to lay before the General Assembly the claims of our territory, which, it is believed, affords as interesting and encouraging a field for missionary labour, as any other within the limits of the United Church.

That you may have the presence and blessing of the Church's Head, and much of his Spirit to direct your counsels, is the prayer of your brethren.

Done at Conemaugh Church, May 5th, 1859.

Report of the Presbytery of Boston.

To the General Assembly of the United Presbyterian Church—to meet in Xenia, Ohio, on the 18th of May, 1859, the Presbytery of Boston would respectfully report:—

That on the 8th day of June last, the Rev. A. C. Junkin was, at his own request, furnished with a certificate of standing, and dismissed to join the Presbytery of Philadelphia.

That at our meeting on August 10th, the moderation of a call was granted to the congregation of Thompsonville; in response to which, the Rev. John M. Heron (formerly of the Presbytery of Saratoga) was installed as their pastor on the 17th day of November, 1858.

At our meeting on September 8th, in Boston, one half of the ruling elders, and a majority of the congregation of East Boston, withdrew from our fellowship. The Rev. H. H. Johnston then asked for letters of standing and dismission, and when Presbytery were constrained by the said congregational action to appoint, as they did in the usual manner, a person to preach and declare the pulpit vacant, he withdrew, and was furnished, on request, with a minute of our action. The Clerk was directed to furnish him with a certificate of standing and dismission when he should request it.

At a pro re nata meeting at Boston, on the 4th day of October, a protest was received from the remanent Ruling Elders, at East Boston, against the perversion of the Trust Deed of the Church property by the majority. To this, at our meeting in January, the names of a number of the members and adherents were appended, and the Presbytery directed Mr. Blaikie to give to said adherents to our cause, such counsel, supervision, and supply for the present as may be in his power.

The supply of our vacancy at Lawrence, Massachusetts, has been accomplished during April and May, with difficulty, owing to the refusal of Mr. Young to fulfil his appointment. The recurrence of this evil, we would implore General Synod, if possible, to prevent.

At our meeting on the 20th of April, the Rev. H. Connelly was received, on certificate from the Associate Reformed Presbytery of New York, as a member of Presbytery.

Presbytery earnestly memorialize General Assembly to take immediate steps to issue a complete edition of our Church Standards at as cheap a rate as may be found practicable.

We desire from General Assembly the services of one man for the entire year, and we must still solicit your liberality on behalf of some of our feeble congregations. The congregation of Fall River, we would gladly mention, is making a praiseworthy effort to liquidate the debt resting upon their place of worship.

All of which is respectfully submitted. ALEX. BLAIKIE, *Moderator*,
Done at Boston, April 20th, 1859. JOHN M. HERON, *Clerk*.

Report of Presbytery of Mercer.

To the General Assembly of the United Presbyterian Church of North America, to meet in Xenia, Ohio, Wednesday evening, May 18th, 1859, the Presbytery of Mercer respectfully report:—

Our Presbytery was organized in the town of Mercer, the 5th of last January, in pursuance of the action of the First Synod of the West. The names of nineteen Ministers were enrolled, being all the Ministers of the Associate and Associate Reformed Churches within the Presbyterial limits, with the addition, under a special provision of Synod, of Revs. Edward Small and W. C. Jackson. At our last meeting, Rev. William G. Reed asked and obtained a certificate of Christian and Ministerial standing for the purpose of connecting himself with the Presbytery of Allegheny, and since that time it has pleased the Head of the Church to remove by death our revered and beloved brother Banks.

The pastoral relation of brother McWatty to the Centreville congregation was dissolved, and all his time given to the Second Congregation of Mercer, which hitherto has enjoyed but half his ministerial services. It is proper to state that Centreville congregation being within the limits of the Presbytery of Butler, will in future be under her care. At the same meeting, Rev. R. A. Browne's connexion with Shenango congregation was dissolved, and all his time given to New Castle. We have under our care students of Theology. J. L. Whitla having delivered the usual trials to the satisfaction of Presbytery, was, at our last meeting, licensed to preach the Gospel as a probationer for the holy ministry.

The attention of the General Assembly is respectfully called to the following action of Presbytery on the subject of Temperance:

Whereas, it is the duty of the Church as God's witness not only to condemn errors in doctrine but all vicious and vitiating practices by which the hearts of men are hardened and public morals corrupted, and,

Whereas, drunkenness is not only a sin which excludes from the kingdom of God, but also a prolific source of crime, poverty, and every form of misery among men, we judge it to be seasonable, and from all the circumstances of the case, imperative that the United Presbyterian Church condemn, in unequivocal terms, the sin of drunkenness, together with all the causes, means, occasions, and appearances thereof and provocations thereto. Therefore,

Resolved, 1st, That the manufacture, traffic, and use of intoxicating liquors as a beverage is immoral.

2nd. That if any of our members engage in the manufacture, traffic, or occasional use of intoxicating liquors, or sustain others in the above practices, except for mechanical, medicinal, and sacramental purposes, they be required to abandon the same; and that sessions be directed to enforce the above regulations.

3rd. That we hereby request the General Assembly of the United Presbyterian

Church to take such action upon the subject as faithfulness on the part of the Church and the prevalence of the evil requires.

A statistical table, also a special report on the state of religion, accompanies this report. All which are respectfully submitted.

By order of Presbytery,

WM. A. MEHARD, *P. C.*

Report of Presbytery of Wheeling.

To the General Assembly of the United Presbyterian Church, to meet in Xenia, O., May 18, 1859, the Presbytery of Wheeling report:—

According to an act of the First United Presbyterian Synod of the West, the Presbytery of Wheeling was constituted at Uniontown, O., on the 19th October, 1859.

We number six pastors and three unsettled ministers, and have six students of theology of the second year under our care. At our meeting in Wheeling, April 19th, 1859, Messrs. W. R. McKee and J. H. Timmons were licensed to preach the gospel as probationers for the ministry. At the same meeting, Rev. J. S. M'Cready demitted his charge in Cadiz, which was united with the Associate Reformed congregation in that place, and a call has been prepared in the united charge for Bro. M'Cready. A call is also prepared for Mr. T. Stephenson, in Martinsville and Pleasant Valley, also in St. Clairsville for Rev. J. B. Johnston, all of which we have reason to hope, will be accepted. Our remaining vacancies have been grouped together so as to form pastoral charges, and their speedy settlement is expected.

The Basis of Union has been cordially received by our congregations, and we believe they are now realizing "how good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity:" hence our hands have been strengthened and our hearts encouraged in the work of the Lord.

In regard to the state of religion in our bounds, we humbly trust we can represent a decided improvement. Among the evidences of this, we would mention an increased attendance on the public ordinances of divine grace, the growing interest manifested in family religion, and social meetings for prayer and conference, and the removal of prejudices and improper feelings from the minds and hearts of ministers and people. That the Lord may continue and increase the evidences of his favour and presence among us, and direct you in your deliberations, is our sincere prayer.

By order of Presbytery,

A. D. CLARKE, *Com.*

Report of the First Presbytery of Ohio.

To the General Assembly of the United Presbyterian Church, to meet in Xenia, O., May 18th, 1859, the First Presbytery of Ohio would respectfully report:

That we were organized as a Presbytery, by the direction of the 2d Synod, at Fairhaven, on the 21st of December last. The boundaries of the Presbytery are the same as the First Presbytery of Ohio of the Associate Reformed Church.

Mr. J. A. P. McGaw, a probationer under the care of Presbytery, was furnished with a certificate to connect with the 2d Synod of Illinois, and Mr. W. A. Pollock to connect with the 1st Presbytery of Illinois.

Mr. W. J. McSurely was received, at our meeting in Springdale, April 6th, as a probationer from the Presbytery of Chilicothe. Messrs. James B. Foster and James Welch were licensed to preach the gospel, at the same meeting.

The union of the congregations of Hamilton and Concord has been dissolved, Hamilton taking the whole of Brother Davidson's time. By this arrangement Concord is added to our list of vacancies.

At our meeting in Oxford, May 3d, Mr. W. J. McSurely, having accepted a call from the congregation of Oxford, was ordained and installed pastor of said congregation.

With feelings of gratitude we record the goodness of our God in preserving the lives of all our ministers during the year, and in giving them a good degree of success in their Master's work. While we have had no remarkable revival of religion among us, we have evidence of an increased interest in, and attention to the means of grace. A memorial, on the subject of a new version of the Psalms, was adopted by Presbytery, and is herewith presented to the Assembly. Presbytery would respectfully ask the special attention of the Assembly to this subject.

R. H. POLLOCK, *Moderator,*
J. S. ROBERTSON, *Clerk.*

Report of Presbytery of Chartiers.

The Presbytery of Chartiers would respectfully report, that during the past year God has dealt with us in great loving-kindness. We believe there is a deeper religious interest in our congregations than existed in time past. In some places, our prayer-meetings are thronged, and our people appear to delight in waiting on God in all the means of grace. With but few exceptions, the late union has been heartily endorsed by our people.

At present we have twelve ministers, six licentiates and four students of Theology. In June last, Messrs. A. R. Anderson, W. W. Barr, Thos. J. Kennedy, Wm. L. Wilson, and in October, James I. Frazier, were licensed to preach the gospel of Christ. Messrs. J. Barr and W. M. Richie, have been admitted to the study of Theology—the latter of these has been studying under the direction of the Presbytery. A new congregation has been organized near Egypt, in the county of Washington, which promises well. They have raised about four hundred dollars for preaching, and over two thousand dollars to erect a church edifice.

Mr. Thomas J. Kennedy has been, by his own request, dismissed by certificate, to be connected with the Presbytery of the Lakes. A call has been made out, by the Chartiers Cross Roads congregation, for the pastoral services of Rev. Jno. C. Linesdale.

That our union may be cemented by the blood of Jesus and that he may preside in all your deliberations, is our humble prayer. JNO. B. CLARK, *Clerk.*

Report of the Presbytery of Le Clair.

This Presbytery was organized in the month of October last. We have but little to report. Our field is large, and of great importance; the harvest is truly great, and the labourers few. We trust that we are alive to the great work before us. During the coming year we contemplate sending out the members of Presbytery two by two, to visit the different congregations in our bounds and to hold a series of religious meetings. We call the attention of the Assembly to this subject, for we think that an effort like this in our different Presbyteries would be productive of much good.

We are compelled to make large demands for men and money for the coming year.

At our meeting in April last, Mr. McKee was released from his pastoral charge. Mr. Sturgeon was also released from his charge at Kingston. Presbytery respectfully ask the Assembly to take measures for the improvement of our present version of the Psalms.

A statistical table will be handed in.

Mr. Buchanan, a student of Theology of the third year, is under our care.

By order of Presbytery, H. STURGEON, *Pres. Clerk.*

Report of Presbytery of Chicago.

To the General Assembly of the United Presbyterian Church.

The Presbytery of Chicago would report peace and encouraging prosperity in all our settled congregations and most of our vacancies; the settlement, in September last, of Rev. W. P. Currie in the congregation of Apple River; the demission of Wheatland congregation in March, by Rev. J. A. McKee; and the return of a call from Neshanoc congregation by Rev. T. W. Winter.

Our ministerial members of Presbytery, seven; without charge, one. Several vacant congregations desiring immediate settlement, and numerous mission stations, in some of which congregations are organized, calling for the fostering care of the Mission Board, and an increasing demand for missionary labour.

Respectfully submitted, S. COLLINS, S. F. THOMPSON, } *Com.*

May, 1859.

Report of the Presbytery of Mansfield.

To the General Assembly of the United Presbyterian Church, to meet in Xenia, Ohio, May, 1859, the Presbytery of Mansfield would respectfully report:

That agreeably to the action of the 1st United Presbyterian Synod of the West, this Presbytery was organized in Mansfield, October 21st, 1858. Dr. S. Irvin preached the opening sermon and constituted the Presbytery by prayer.

The lives of the ministerial members of Presbytery have been spared—the gospel has been preached, and its ordinances regularly dispensed. The congregations under our care have enjoyed a reasonable degree of prosperity, and we trust, that our labours in the cause of our Divine Master have not been in vain.

At the meeting held in Mansfield, Mr. A. Calhoun was released from the pastoral care of the congregations of Savannah and Auburn, and granted a certificate with a view of connecting himself with the Presbytery of Monongahela, in which bounds he expected to settle. At a subsequent meeting, held in Dalton, Mr. A. McCartney was ordained and installed pastor of the congregation of Dalton.

Calls have been made out by the congregations of Mill Creek, Keene, and White Eyes, for Mr. W. A. McConnel, licentiate—by Sulphur Springs and connexions for Mr. J. L. McLean. It is expected that these brethren will accept the above calls, and soon be labouring in their respective charges.

It is also expected, as soon as practicable, that Mr. Paul will be installed pastor of Mansfield congregation, from which he has received a call, and that Mr. Collins will be installed pastor of Ontario congregation—they having laboured during the past year as joint pastors of these congregations. JNO. P. SCOTT, *Com.*

Report of the Presbytery of Xenia.

To the General Assembly of the United Presbyterian Church, to meet at Xenia, O., May 18th, 1859, the Presbytery of Xenia would respectfully report:

That we were organized as a Presbytery by direction of the 2d Synod on the 28th of December last. Our boundaries are the same as those of the Associate Reformed Presbytery of Springfield. We number fourteen ministers and eight settled congregations. We have no vacancies now ripe for settlement, yet we have a number of important missionary posts, which, if well guarded, we think will soon be ranked among our settled congregations. We have reason to acknowledge with gratitude the goodness of God toward us in our new relation. Harmony and love, so far, appear to have a controlling power with us, and our prayer is, that they may still continue that control.

Mr. R. B. Ewing having accepted a call from the 2d congregation of Xenia, was, after delivering the ordinary pieces of trial and undergoing an examination as to his doctrinal principles, views on entering the ministry, practical piety, &c., on the 10th day of January, ordained to the office of the holy ministry, and installed pastor of the 2d congregation of Xenia. Thus our hands have been strengthened.

Mr. Armstrong, student of Theology, having completed his course of study at the Seminary, is expected to be licensed at our first meeting after the rising of the Assembly.

As regards the state of religion in our bounds, we have nothing special to report. While we cannot boast of any great work, we are not without some evidences of the Spirit's presence with us. The work of union has operated favourably with our people. We are sorry to say, that there are yet some whom we would have fondly had with us, who have not yet seen their way clear to accede to the union. Much depends upon the spirit we manifest and the course we pursue, as a church, in speedily reconciling the minds of these brethren to our cause. May the Great Head of the church so direct all our operations, and you the Assembly in your high and responsible duties as that our union may be but the beginning of union in the family of God, and our labours made subservient in reconciling a lost world to Christ.

By order of Presbytery. JAMES P. SMART, *Pres. Clerk.*

Report of the Presbytery of Steubenville.

To the General Assembly of the United Presbyterian Church of North America, to meet in Xenia, Ohio, on the third Wednesday of May, 1859, the Presbytery of Steubenville report:

According to the direction of the First United Presbyterian Synod of the West this Presbytery was organized on the 1st day of December, 1858, consisting of the following members: Revds. A. Donaldson, T. Wilson, A. Wilson, J. S. Easton, W. Lorimer. J. McKirahan, J. K. Andrews, T. Simpson, and J. Andrews. At this meeting, Mr. John Martin was taken under the care of Presbytery as a student of Theology.

At a called meeting of Presbytery, on the 15th February, Rev. Wm. Lorimer accepted a call from Antrim, Ohio, and, at his own request, was dismissed with suitable testimonials to connect with the Muskingum Presbytery.

At our meeting on the 12th of April, Mr. J. L. Robertson accepted a call from Geneva, and was dismissed with credentials to unite with the Presbytery of Caledonia. At the same meeting, Mr. Thomas Andrews was licensed to preach the gospel. Arrangements were also made to organize a congregation at Kilgore.

We have four settled, and four unsettled ministers, one licentiate, and one student of theology.

The union so happily consummated last spring, is hailed with joy and gratitude generally, is operating well, and we hope will be productive of much good.

The state of religion in our congregations, as far as could be ascertained at our last meeting, is encouraging, giving us reason to hope that we have not been wholly forgotten in the late gracious manifestations and outpourings of the Spirit of God. Although we have reason to lament much indifference and want of fruitfulness, we yet are encouraged to think we see evidence of God's presence in our congregations in the generally good attendance upon public ordinances, social prayer-meetings, and Sabbath schools. But more especially are we encouraged by the evidence which our several pastors report of family religion. In these times, when the tendency is to the extreme of a public and ostensible religion, it is gratifying to find its evidences in the homes and hearts of our people.

We are firmly persuaded that where family instruction, family worship, and secret prayer are neglected, there can be small evidence of vital piety at all.

Respectfully submitted by order of Presbytery.

JOHN S. EASTON,
JOSEPH ANDREWS, } *Committee.*

Report of the Presbytery of Detroit.

To the General Assembly of the United Presbyterian Church, to meet in Xenia, May 18th, 1859.

The Presbytery of Detroit would respectfully report that during the past year, several important changes have taken place in our bounds. Last Fall, Brother Irons demitted the pastoral charge of the congregation of Bruce, leaving only one settled minister in the Presbytery. At our meeting in May, he asked and obtained his certificate of standing, to connect himself with the Presbytery of Butler.

In August last, Rev. John McClellan, of the United Presbyterian Church of Canada, united himself with us, and has since been supplying our vacant congregations with much acceptance. By this favouring providence, we are still able to keep up our Presbytery organization.

The congregation of Detroit, at our last meeting, laid before us a call addressed to Rev. A. R. Anderson, which we herewith transmit to you for presentation.

All our congregations have been well supplied during the past year, and seem much refreshed. But we are sorry to add that, in consequence of the scarceness of money, and the wants of settled pastors, to present the subject properly before them, they have not contributed so liberally to the various funds of the church as could have been desired.

By order of Presbytery,

JOHN MCCLELLAN, *Moderator.*
JAMES M. SMEALLIE, *Clerk.*

Report of the Presbytery of New York.

To the General Assembly of the United Presbyterian Church.

The Presbytery of New York report that, since your last meeting, we have enjoyed many tokens of divine favour. The lives of the brethren in the ministry, have been precious to Him who has called them, and their health so preserved that all have been enabled by his goodness to pursue their labours with but little interruption. The congregations under our care are most of them in a favourable condition. We have, however, to remark several important changes, all of which, we trust, are for God's glory, and the welfare of his church.

Soon after the consummation of the union, the Rev. D. J. Patterson, of the Reformed Presbyterian church, presented his certificate, and asked to be admitted as a minister of Christ into the fellowship, &c., of the United Presbyterian Church, and upon his subscribing the terms contained in the "basis," was received and recognised as he desired. At, or about the same time, a part of his former charge, numbering about seventy persons, asked to be taken under our care as a mission station, and supplied with the preached gospel. Their request was granted, and Mr. Patterson appointed to supply for a time. Following this, in a short time they asked to be organized a congregation. Presbytery having granted this, Mr. Patterson was afterwards called and installed over them as pastor. They now number about one hundred and thirty persons. We have here presented a new and important field, claiming our attention.

These people, being unable to sustain the ordinances, have asked to be cared

for, in part, by your board; and Presbytery would earnestly commend their case to the attention of both the Assembly and Committee of Missions.

At a recent meeting of Presbytery, Mr. Duncan C. Niven, who had been pursuing the usual studies, preparatory to the work, was licensed to preach the divine gospel of Christ. He is hereby referred to your Committee as a licentiate ready to supply in such vacancies as your Committee may designate.

We regret to say that our two brethren, Revs. J. Dinsmore and Wm. Melvin, the former of Eleventh street, New York, and the latter of Providence Congregation, have been released from their respective charges, agreeably to their voluntary request. These persons are commended, also, as available supply.

These changes compel us to ask one man to supply one year, and one for six months, in addition, or its equivalent.

Presbytery having been memorialized on the subject of salaries paid to her ministers, and especially those having charge of Mission Congregations, have instructed her delegates to memorialize your body concerning the necessity of forming some method by which to secure a more perfect relative equality in this respect among those mentioned. A memorial, therefore, on this subject, according with this instruction, accompanies this.

All of which is respectfully submitted. By order of Presbytery,

W. G. McElhany, *Clerk.*

New York, May 4th, 1859.

A bill from Messrs. Gray & Reid, for printing blanks for the use of delegates to the General Assembly, was presented and referred to the Committee of Accounts.

Read a petition from the Presbytery of Washington on the ratio of representation in the General Assembly. Referred to the Committee of Overtures.

Read a petition from Rev. R. W. French, on simplifying and publishing the standards of the church. Referred to the same Committee.

Read a petition from the executors of the estate of Elizabeth Thompson, deceased; also a notice of a legacy from Rev. Dr. Russell, of Stamford, C. W., both of which were referred to the Committee of Accounts.

Read a memorial from the Presbytery of Conemaugh, on the subject of Intemperance. On motion of Rev. Messrs. J. Prestley and J. S. Easton, a special Committee was appointed, to which this memorial, and all other papers on this subject, were referred. The Committee consists of Rev. Messrs. S. Anderson, J. B. Scouller, J. M. Smeallie, and S. M'Arthur.

On motion of Rev. James Prestley and Rev. Dr. Pressly, a special committee was appointed on the State of Religion, to which so much of the Presbyterial reports as relates to this subject was referred. The Committee consists of Rev. Messrs. J. B. Dales, D. D., D. R. Kerr, D. D., James P. Smart, and S. Collins.

The memorials on Synodical and Presbyterial boundaries were referred to the Committee of Overtures.

On motion of Rev. Messrs. Wm. Davidson and John S. Easton, a special Committee was appointed, to which were referred all papers on the Revision of the present metrical version of the Psalms, &c. The Committee consists of Rev. Messrs. Dr. Kerr, John G. Smart, R. K. Campbell, and S. Collins.

A motion was offered by Rev. Messrs. Dr. Dales and Joseph Andrews, to the effect that all historical matters in the Presbyterial reports shall be referred to the Committee on the State of Religion.

Pending the discussion of this motion, the hour having arrived, the Assembly adjourned.

Closed with the benediction by the Moderator.

Friday afternoon, May 20th.

The Assembly met, and was opened with prayer by the Moderator.

The calling of the roll was dispensed with.

The minutes were read and approved.

Resumed the consideration of the resolution under discussion at the time of adjournment. Said resolution was finally adopted.

The Committee appointed this morning to prepare Statistical Blanks, presented a report. After some discussion, on motion of Rev. Messrs. Dr. Kerr and S. Anderson, the report was laid on the table.

The Committee on the Supply of the Pulpits of this place, presented a report, which was adopted.

Proceeded to the order of the day—the consideration of the subject of Foreign Missions.

Requests were received from the General Synod of the Associate Reformed Church, and from the Associate Synod, that the General Assembly would hear the reports of their Boards of Foreign Missions.

After spending some time in devotional exercises, these reports were read by Rev. Dr. Cooper, and Rev. Dr. Prestley, the Chairmen of the respective Boards.

The Assembly went into extra-judicial conference on the subject of Foreign Missions.

The Conference arose, reported progress, and asked leave to sit again. Leave was granted.

It was made the order of the day for to-morrow, at 10 o'clock, A. M., to hear the report of the Committee of Home Missions.

The hour having arrived, the Assembly adjourned.

Closed with prayer by Rev. Dr. Hanna.

Saturday morning, May 21st.

The Assembly met, and was opened with prayer by the Moderator.

The calling of the roll was dispensed with.

The minutes were read and approved.

Read an extract from the will of James Patterson. Referred to the Committee on Accounts.

Read a memorial from the Presbytery of New York, on Ministerial Support. Referred to the Committee of Overtures.

Read a memorial from certain members of the United Church in Xenia, requesting further action in reference to the Standards of the Church, and the preparation of a Bond for covenanting. Referred to the Committee of Overtures.

Read a memorial from the Presbytery of Sidney, in reference to the Urbana Female Seminary. Referred to a Select Committee, consisting of Rev. Messrs. Samuel Collins, Wm. Conner, J. B. Scouller, and Messrs. James. B. M'Cracken and Thomas M'Cague.

Read a petition from the Presbyterian Historical Society, requesting the Assembly to recommend a collection in their behalf. Referred to a Committee, consisting of Rev. Messrs. Dr. Dales, Dr. Cooper, Dr. Young, and Mr. James M'Gay.

Read a petition from Hugh Elliott, in reference to a mission to Africa, proposing, in case such a mission be established, to contribute $1,000 to its support. Referred to a select Committee on Foreign Missions, consisting of Rev. Messrs. Dr. Cooper, Dr. Dales, Dr. Pressly, Dr. Young, J. P. Wright, R. H. Pollock, and Messrs. James M'Candless and David Turnbull.

Read a memorial from David Jackson, of Xenia. Referred to the Committee of Overtures.

Proceeded to the order of the day—the consideration of the report of the Committee of Home Missions.

Some time having been spent in devotional exercises, the report was, after some discussion, re-committed.

Read a memorial from the First Presbytery of Ohio, on the subject of a new version of the Psalms, &c. Referred to the Committee on Psalmody.

Heard a memorial from Rev. J. P. Wright, on the subject of Foreign Missions. Referred to the extra-judicial Conference on Missions.

On motion of Rev. Messrs. John G. Brown and Thomas H. Beveridge, the subject of a mission to China was referred to that Conference.

The following resolutions, offered by Rev. Matthew Clark and Mr. John Alexander, were adopted:—

1st. *Resolved*, That the Joint Committee appointed by the two uniting Synods last year, to report a plan for carrying on Home and Foreign Missions, Education, Church Extension, Book and Tract Publication, &c., be recognised as the Committee of this Assembly, and that they be requested to report as early as possible.

2d. *Resolved*, That the recommendation of the Committee of Home Missions on the subject of Systematic Beneficence be referred to that Committee.

Two of the members of this Committee, Rev. Messrs. Dr. Rodgers and D. A. Wallace, being absent, their places were supplied by the appointment of Rev. Messrs. Dr. Kerr and Matthew Clark. Mr. R. C. Taylor was also added to the Committee.

The hour having arrived, the Assembly adjourned.

Closed with the benediction by the Moderator.

Saturday afternoon, May 20th.

The Assembly met, and was opened with prayer by the Moderator.

The calling of the roll was dispensed with.

The minutes were read and approved.

Rev. James Prestley, as Clerk of the General Synod of the A. R. Church, presented, by their order, the following action of that body:—

"The following resolution was adopted by the General Synod of the Associate Reformed Church, and the Clerk of Synod was directed to present it to this General Assembly:—

"*Resolved*, That the report of the Board of Agency for Foreign Missions for the Associate Reformed Church be made to the General Assembly of the United Presbyterian Church; and that the Assembly be, and hereby is requested to take our foreign missions under their care.

"By order of Synod. JAMES PRESTLEY, *Stated Clerk.*"

Read a communication from the Associate Synod, transmitting the following action of the General Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church on the subject of Union:—

"The Reverend, the Associate Synod of North America:—

"Reverend and Dear Brethren:—

"By order of the General Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church in North America, I respectfully acknowledge the receipt of your communication of May, 1858, on the subject of union. Synod's reply will be found on the 22d page of their printed minutes, a copy of which I herewith transmit.

"Very respectfully yours, JOHN N. M'LEOD, *Synod's Clerk.*

"New York, May 8th, 1859."

"Substitute for the Report of the Special Committee on the Documents on Union.

"The Committee on the Documents from the Synods of the Associate and Associate Reformed Churches would respectfully report, that these communications are of importance, and deserve the respectful consideration of General Synod. While, however, they refer to the subject of union, they seem to be incomplete, and do not exhibit the final action of the bodies in the consummation of the union which is said to have been effected. There is no communication to this Synod from the Synod of the United Presbyterian Church.

"The General Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church would, however, express the hope that the existing union may prove a source of blessing to the respected bodies who have entered into its constitution, and be largely promo-

tive of the glory of God in the extension of the kingdom of his Son. The adoption of the following resolutions is therefore recommended:—

"*Resolved*, That on the subject of the proposed Union, this Synod is not prepared at present to take any action.

"*Resolved*, That we recommend to the people under our care careful consistency with the principles of their profession in all their religious practice, more instant and persevering prayer to God for a larger outpouring of the Spirit of light, and love, and peace, on all the churches; and that in their intercourse with the brethren of other churches, they seek the things which make for peace, and co-operate, in all lawful measures, for the extension of the kingdom of our common Lord."

Read a similar communication from the General Synod of the A. R. Church.

These communications were referred to the Committee on Correspondence.

The following resolution was offered by Rev. Dr. Dales and Rev. James Prestley, and adopted:—

Resolved, That the Committee on Correspondence be instructed to inform the General Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church, to meet in Philadelphia on the 25th instant, of the receipt of their communications to the General Synod of the A. R. Church, and the Synod of the Associate Church, referred to this Assembly by those bodies; to transmit to them a copy of the Basis of Union, and the action had upon it; and to invite them to take similar action, with a view to their becoming a part of the United Presbyterian Church.

The following resolutions, presented by Rev. G. D. Henderson and Rev. S. Collins, were adopted:—

1st. *Resolved*, That this Assembly appoint a Committee to prepare a draft of a Book of Discipline, and present it to the next annual meeting of the General Assembly of the U. P. Church.

2d. *Resolved*, That the Committee of Overtures be directed to report a provisional arrangement for the discipline of the church, until such a Book of Discipline can be adopted.

Rev. Messrs. James Thompson, John G. Brown, Jas. P. Smart, and M. Morrison, were appointed to nominate the Committee contemplated in the first resolution.

Rev. Dr. Hanna, as Clerk of the Associate Synod, presented the following extract from the minutes of that Synod:—

"The Board of Foreign Missions presented a report, which was read. That part of the report relating to the finances of the Board was referred to the Committee on the Funds; and for the disposal of the remaining portion of the report, the following resolution was offered and adopted:—

"*Resolved*, That we request the General Assembly of the United Presbyterian Church to take the charge and supervision of the India, Trinidad, and California missions, heretofore under our care; and, in order that the Assembly may know the state and prospects of these missions, it is ordered that the report of the Board made to this Synod be referred to them.

"By order of Synod. THOMAS HANNA, *Synod's Clerk*."

The following paper was presented by Rev. Drs. Dales and Cooper, and adopted:—

Whereas, A union has been happily effected between the Associate and Associate Reformed Churches; *and whereas*, this General Assembly, as the Supreme Court of the united body, should have charge of the various operations of these churches, in labouring to spread the gospel abroad; *and whereas*, they have now, through their Synods, tendered their foreign missions to this Assembly: therefore

Resolved, That this tender be accepted, and that said missions be and hereby are formally received under the care of this Assembly: their stations, missionaries, funds, and all their concerns, to be subject to its direction and control.

On motion of Rev. Messrs. Wm. Davidson and R. A. Browne, it was

Resolved, That the Committee on Correspondence be directed to report on the opening of a correspondence with foreign churches; and that their report be made the order of the day for Monday next, at 10 o'clock, A. M.

Dr. Dales reported the draft of a letter to the General Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church, which was approved, and ordered to be transmitted to that Synod.

On motion the Assembly adjourned.

Closed with prayer by Rev. Dr. Scroggs.

Monday morning, May 22d.

The Assembly met, and was opened with prayer by the Moderator.

The calling of the roll was dispensed with.

The minutes were read and approved.

The following resolution, offered by Rev. Messrs. J. B. Scouller and J. T. M'Clure, was adopted:—

Resolved, That a Committee of four be appointed to revise our *Rules of Order*, and report to next General Assembly. The Committee consists of Rev. Messrs. J. B. Scouller, James Prestley, Dr. Beveridge, and Dr. Macdill.

The following resolution was offered by Rev. Messrs. Thomas Calahan, and R. D. Harper, and was referred to the Committee on Psalmody:—

Resolved, That —— be a Committee to report on the propriety of making a selection of Psalms, or portions of Psalms, for the use of Sabbath-schools.

The subject of correspondence with the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church, (N. S.,) was brought before the Assembly by the Clerk of the General Synod of the A. R. Church, by their order, and was referred to the Committee on Correspondence.

The Committee of Overtures presented the following report on the ratio of delegation, which was adopted, and ordered to be published in the minutes:—

The Committee of Overtures, to which the memorial from the Presbytery of Washington was referred, submit the following report:—

The desire of the memorialists is that such a change shall be made in the ratio of representation established in our Directory as shall reduce the number of delegates to the General Assembly. That such a reduction is on many accounts desirable, will be readily admitted. According to the present arrangement, a large number of pastors are taken away for a length of time from their congregations; the unwieldy character of the Assembly renders it difficult to expedite the transaction of business, and also renders it burdensome to congregations where it might be very desirable to hold our sessions. A smaller number of delegates, moreover, would be likely to transact the business of the church as well, and more expeditiously. And we doubt not that at no distant day such a reduction as that contemplated will be found to be necessary.

But until the bodies so happily united shall have become better acquainted with each other, it would seem desirable that intercourse should be cultivated to as great an extent as may be practicable; and therefore that the existing ratio of representation continue for the present as it is. Your Committee would therefore recommend the adoption of the following resolution:—

Resolved, That it is inexpedient at present to make any change in the existing ratio of representation. JOHN T. PRESSLY, *Chairman*.

The following resolution was offered by Rev. Messrs. Samuel Collins and Samuel Anderson, and adopted:—

Resolved, That for the present the ratio of representation, as fixed by the 12th General Synod of the A. R. Church be, and the same hereby is adopted and continued in the United Church.

The action of that Synod is as follows:—

"Every Presbytery containing *two* ministers, shall be entitled to send *one* minister, and *one* ruling elder.

"Every Presbytery containing *five* ministers, shall be entitled to send *two* ministers, and *two* ruling elders.

"Every Presbytery containing *eight* ministers, shall be entitled to send *three* ministers, and *three* ruling elders.

"Every Presbytery containing *fourteen* ministers, shall be entitled to send *four* ministers, and *four* ruling elders.

"Every Presbytery containing more than fourteen ministers, shall be entitled to send, for each additional *four* ministers, *one* minister and *one* ruling elder."

The Committee of Correspondence presented the following report, which was adopted:—

Resolved, That the Rev. John S. Easton and the Rev. James M'Gill be authorized by this General Assembly to convey to the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church of Ireland, at its next meeting, the Christian salutations of the United Presbyterian Church of North America, and to assure them of the high esteem in which they are held by us as a branch of the Church of Christ.

On motion of Rev. H. H. Blair and Mr. James M'Gay, the name of Mr. David Douglass, of New York, was ordered to be inserted in the above resolution.

The following resolution was offered by Rev. Dr. Dales and Rev. George C. Vincent, and adopted by the Assembly:—

Resolved, That the Committee on Correspondence be directed to forward to the Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church, now sitting in the city of Allegheny, a copy of the Basis of Union between the Associate and Associate Reformed Churches, their action upon it, and the cordial desire of this Assembly for the Reformed Presbyterian Church to take steps for a union with the United Presbyterian Church.

Spent half an hour in devotional exercises.

The Committee of Overtures presented a report on the petition of Rev. R. W. French, which, after a slight amendment, was adopted as follows, and ordered to be printed in the minutes. [See *Appendix.*]

The same Committee presented a report on the memorials of David Jackson, Mr. Hyslop, and others. A motion was made to lay it on the table. Before taking the vote, the hour having arrived, the Assembly adjourned.

Closed with the benediction by the Moderator.

Monday afternoon, May 23d.

The Assembly met, and was opened with prayer by the Moderator.

The calling of the roll was dispensed with.

The minutes were read and approved.

Proceeded with the unfinished business of this morning—the consideration of the report of the Committee of Overtures on the memorials of David Jackson and others.

The motion to lay on the table, for the present, was put, and lost.

On motion of Rev. George M. Hall and Mr. George Lowrie, the report was re-committed.

The Committee to nominate persons to prepare a Book of Discipline, presented the following nominations, which were approved:—Rev. Messrs. John G. Smart, J. T. Pressly, D. D., Joseph Clokey, D. D., Joseph T. Cooper, D. D., and Alexander Young, D. D.

The Committee to which were referred the memorials, &c., on the subject of Intemperance, presented a report, which was laid on the table for the present.

On motion of Rev. J. R. Walker and Rev. John G. Brown, the Assembly proceeded to elect a temporary Treasurer for all the funds.

On motion of Rev. James Prestley, Mr. John Fleming, of Xenia, was chosen Treasurer.

Rev. Dr. Dales presented a paper from the Ministers' and Elders' Association of the United Presbyterian Church in Philadelphia, requesting that the next General Assembly shall meet in that city.

Proceeded to fix the time and place of the next meeting; when it was agreed that the next General Assembly shall meet in the Second United Presbyterian Church, (Rev. Dr. Dales',) of Philadelphia, on the fourth Wednesday of May, 1860, at 7½ o'clock, P. M.

On motion of Rev. Messrs. R. A. Browne and R. H. Pollock, a Committee was appointed to report arrangements for the religious exercises at the next General Assembly. The Committee consists of Rev. Messrs. J. B. Dales, D. D., Thomas H. Beveridge, H. H. Blair, and W. H. Andrew.

On motion of Rev. James Prestley, a Committee was appointed to arrange the Statistical Tables, and prepare them for publication. The Committee consists of Rev. Messrs. J. L. Craig, W. G. M'Elhany, and William Getty.

Took up from the table the report of the Committee on the preparation of Statistical Blanks; and, after some remarks, it was re-committed.

The Committee of Correspondence reported a draft of a letter to the Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church, now in session in the city of Allegheny, which was adopted, as follows:—

Draft of a Letter to the Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church, Allegheny.

Xenia, May 23, 1859.

To the Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church, Allegheny, Pa.

Rev. and Dear Brethren:—At its session this day, in this place, the General Assembly of the United Presbyterian Church adopted the following resolution:—

Resolved, That the Committee on Correspondence be directed to forward to the Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church, now sitting in the City of Allegheny, Pa., a Copy of the Basis of Union between the Associate and Associate Reformed Churches,—their action upon it, and the cordial desire of this Assembly for the Reformed Presbyterian Church to consider said Basis, with a view of their becoming a part of the United Church.

Agreeably to this order and resolution, the Committee respectfully send to your reverend body, the Basis of Union referred to—and the action by which the United Presbyterian Church was formed; and we beg to assure you of the heart's desire and prayer of this Assembly, that the great King and Head of the Church will direct the way by which the friends of Zion and of the truth shall be brought to see eye to eye, and to stand fast together in the profession and exhibition of the truth as it is in Jesus.

Praying that grace, mercy and peace may be multiplied, from God our Father and the Lord Jesus upon you, and that all your works may be established,

I am very respectfully yours, John B. Dales.

By order of the Committee.

The Committee of Overtures presented their report on the memorials of D. Jackson and others, with a slight change in the preamble. After a separate consideration and unanimous adoption of the resolution and the preamble, the whole report was adopted, and ordered to be printed in the minutes.—[See *Appendix.*]

Received the report of the Boards, and other institutions of the United Church. The consideration of this report was made the order of the day for to-morrow afternoon, at 2½ o'clock.

On motion of Rev. Dr. Young, it was agreed that the extra-judicial Conference on Foreign Missions shall be the order of the day for to-morrow morning, at 9½ o'clock.

A resolution was offered by Rev. R. N. Fee, in relation to a division of the Synod of Illinois. Referred to the Committee of Overtures.

The Committee on the Urbana Female Seminary presented a report which, after some discussion, was re-committed.

Adjourned. Closed with prayer by Rev. Alex. Wilson.

Tuesday morning, May 24th.

The Assembly met, and was opened with prayer by the Moderator.

The calling of the roll was dispensed with.

The minutes of the last sitting were read and approved.

Read a letter from the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church, (N. S.,) now in session at Wilmington, Delaware. Referred to the Committee on Correspondence.

Read a resolution on Chanting, from the First Synod of the West, transmitted by the Clerk. Referred to the Committee on Psalmody.

Read a memorial on Music and Chanting, from the First Presbytery of Ohio. Referred to the Committee on Psalmody.

The Committee to which was referred the petition of the Presbyterian Historical Society presented a report, which was laid on the table.

The Committee on Psalmody, to which were referred the memorials on the subject, presented their report on an improved version of the Psalms. The consideration of this report was made the order of the day for to-morrow morning, at 9¼ o'clock.

The hour having arrived, the Assembly went into extra-judicial conference, Dr. Kerr in the chair.

The extra-judicial Conference, on the subject of Foreign Missions, rose and reported the following resolutions, which were unanimously adopted:—

1st. *Resolved*, That the General Assembly of the United Presbyterian Church will re-enforce its missions in India, Syria, and Egypt, so far as may seem to be necessary for the success of our work in these lands.

2d. *Resolved*, That the Assembly will take immediate action for the establishment of missions in China and Africa.

The following resolutions were offered by Rev. Messrs. Dr. Dales and R. A. Browne, and adopted:—

1st. *Resolved*, That the Assembly have heard with grateful emotions of the kindness and liberality of the American Tract Society, in contributing an entire set of their publications in the Italian language, for the Book Depot, and for general circulation, under the direction of our missionaries in the city of Alexandria, Egypt.

2d. *Resolved*, That this Assembly recognise, on this the threshold of its existence, the obligations under which the church committed to its care are to pray and labour for the evangelization of the heathen and the salvation of the world.

3d. *Resolved*, That, in view of the call for the support of our labourers in the foreign field, the necessity of suitable houses for schools and public worship at our foreign mission stations, and the duty of all to make immediate and definite sacrifices and efforts for making God's way known on earth, this Assembly will endeavour to have a sum averaging not less than *one dollar* for every communicant in our entire membership raised during the ensuing year; that thus the means may be placed in our treasury for properly sustaining our present missions, and for undertaking any new ones that may be opened up; and thus to prove that the great aim of this United Presbyterian Church is not to live unto herself, but unto Him that loved her, and gave Himself for her.

The following resolution was offered by Rev. Messrs. Jas. H. Andrew and Thos. H. Beveridge, and adopted by the Assembly:—

Resolved, That this Assembly recommend that the congregations under her care, who have not already established such meetings, shall have monthly meetings for prayer and conference in relation to missions.

The report of the Committee of Home Missions having been slightly altered, was again presented to the Assembly, and was adopted. [See *Appendix.*]

The hour having arrived, the Assembly adjourned. Closed with prayer by Rev. Geo. C. Vincent.

Tuesday afternoon, May 24th.

The Assembly met, and was opened with prayer by the Moderator.

The calling of the roll was dispensed with.

The minutes were read and approved.

Proceeded to the order of the day—the consideration of the report of the Joint Committee on the Boards.

Took up first the proposed Constitution of the Board of Foreign Missions, which, after some amendment, was adopted.

Took up the proposed Constitution of the Board of Home Missions. After proceeding to some extent with the consideration of this paper, the hour of adjournment having arrived, the whole subject was made the order of the day for to-morrow morning, at 11 o'clock.

The report of the Committee on Intemperance was made the order of the day for to-morrow afternoon, at 2½ o'clock.

Adjourned. Closed with prayer by Rev. Wm. Galbraith.

Wednesday morning, May 25th.

The Assembly met, and was opened with prayer by the Moderator.

The calling of the roll was dispensed with.

The minutes were read and approved.

Proceeded to the order of the day—the consideration of the report of the Committee on Psalmody, on the memorial from the First Presbytery of Ohio, on an improved version of the Psalms.

The resolutions appended to the report were considered *seriatim*. The resolutions, with some amendments, were adopted. The preamble was adopted. The whole report was then unanimously adopted as follows, and ordered to be printed in the minutes:—

Report on New Version of the Psalms.

The Committee to which was referred the memorial from the First Presbytery of Ohio, on the subject of an improved version of the Psalms, submit the following report:—

The subject of the memorial is one of present interest, and of an importance to the welfare of our United Church not to be disregarded; and yet one in respect to which it becomes us to move with great caution.

We do not think it necessary to enlarge upon the important place which praise has among the ordinances and exercises of our religion; nor upon the authority and excellence of the system of praise which God has given to his church. At present, we are asked to consider, simply, how we can use this system *best*, not only for the edification of the church, but for the increase of her influence upon the world.

We have a good version; one, in the use of which the church has had her purest days and strongest consolations in times of greatest trial; and one which, by many sacred associations, is endeared to the hearts of our people. But can we have a better? Do the present circumstances of the church call for one, in some respects, of a different style and structure? Is it to be hoped, that one better adapted to the present necessities of the church, to her edification and efficiency, can be had? These are questions to which it is not unreasonable to expect an answer, and an answer now, when endeavouring, as we now are, to put our United church in the best working order, and on a career of the greatest usefulness.

From what is set forth in the memorial read to the Assembly, the details of which we do not think it necessary to repeat, it is evident that our present version, however good, is not, in all respects, the best that might be had. And our principle on the subject of Psalmody is, not for an unchanging use of any particular version, but for the Psalms of the Bible in the best possible version. The old version should not be set aside or changed to any extent that would affect its integrity. But, in connexion with it, so amended as to remove obsolete words and correct the more defective lines, it is believed that a new version as close to the original and more in accordance with the present state of literature and poetic structure, is needed and might be prepared. A well-guarded effort to this end is all that the memorialists ask; and your Committee

believing the end to be worthy of such effort, submit for consideration the following Resolutions:—

1st, That the version of the book of Psalms now used by the United Presbyterian Church be retained without any change that would affect its integrity.

2d, That to be used in connexion with this, it is desirable to have an entirely new version of equal fidelity, and up to the present state of literature and laws of versification.

3d, That a Committee of —— be appointed to take charge of this work, and either by selections from versions extant, or the labours of a competent person, endeavour to have such a version in readiness to report to the next Assembly; that in this work, they be instructed to make fidelity to the original an object of special attention; and that, as they progress, they publish the results of their labours in the periodicals of the church.

4th, That this version, when reported to the Assembly, if deemed worthy, shall be overtured to the Presbyteries.

The Committee on Psalmody were instructed to nominate to the Assembly the Committee contemplated in the third resolution.

The following resolution was offered by Rev. Messrs. Wm. Davidson and R. H. Pollock, and adopted:—

Resolved, That the Committee on the preparation of a new version of the Psalms be instructed to correspond with the other churches who use the Book of Psalms, and endeavour to secure their co-operation.

The hour having arrived, some time was spent in devotional exercises.

Proceeded to the next order of the day—the consideration of the report of the Joint Committee on the Boards.

Proceeded with the consideration of the proposed Constitution of the Board of Home Missions. After some amendments, the whole paper was adopted.

Took up the proposed Constitution of the Board of Publication. The whole paper was adopted.

On motion of Rev. Messrs. R. D. Harper and James Prestley, the order of the day for this afternoon was suspended, in order to proceed with the matter now in hand.

The hour having arrived, the Assembly adjourned.

Closed with the benediction by the Moderator.

Wednesday afternoon, May 25th.

The Assembly met, and was opened with prayer by the Moderator.

The calling of the roll was dispensed with.

The minutes were read and approved.

Notice was given of the arrival of Mr. S. W. Grier, delegate from the Presbytery of Kansas, detained by sickness.

Proceeded with the unfinished business of this forenoon—the consideration of the report of the Joint Committee on the Boards.

Took up the proposed Constitution of the Board of Church Extension. After considerable discussion the whole paper was adopted.

Took up the proposed Constitution of the Board of Education. The whole paper was adopted.

The following Committee was appointed to nominate members of the different Boards:—Rev. Messrs. S. F. Morrow, John G. Brown, J. P. Wright, and S. M'Arthur, and Messrs. Wright, M'Candless, M'Cague, and Miller. Committee to report to-morrow morning.

Took up the paper on the appointment of a General Committee of Finance and Revision. The paper was laid on the table, and ordered to be published in the minutes. (See Appendix.)

Took up the paper on General Rules for the Regulation of all the Boards. Laid on the table till to-morrow morning.

The paper on the General Declaration of Duties was read, and disposed of in the same manner.

Messrs. John Alexander and Isaac M'Gay presented a paper in relation to

the appointment of a Board of Trustees, which was adopted as follows, and referred to the Committee on Nominations:—

Resolved, That a committee consisting of one from each Synod be appointed to nominate —— persons to be elected a board of Trustees of the General Assembly of the United Presbyterian Church of North America.

It shall be the duty of said Trustees to act as Corporators, who shall take the proper steps to procure from the state of Pennsylvania articles of incorporation for said General Assembly, under which said Trustees shall hold in trust for the use and benefit of the several funds of the Church, all lands, tenements, permanent funds and other property, under the supervision and direction of the General Assembly.

Resolved, That said Trustees be requested, as soon as possible. to prepare, under good legal counsel, in conformity to the laws of the states, blank forms for bequests to the various funds of the church, and that they shall secure their permanent publication in all the periodicals of our church in connexion with a full statement of all the benevolent objects to which the church is expected to contribute.

The Committee of Accounts presented a report, which was adopted as follows:—

Report of Committee of Accounts.

The Committee of Accounts would respectfully report, and recommend the adoption of the following resolutions:

1. *Resolved*, That James Atherton and Thomas Johnston, Executors of the last will and testament of Elizabeth Thompson, deceased, be and they hereby are authorized to retain out of the legacy of said deceased to the United Presbyterian Church, the sum of one hundred and twenty-five dollars for the erection of tombstones, in accordance with the desire of said deceased; and that the Treasurer of the United Presbyterian Church be and hereby is authorized to receive the remainder, and receipt to the Executors for the same.

2. *Resolved*, That the Treasurer of the United Presbyterian Church be and hereby is authorized to receive from William Patterson and Thomas Shannon, Executors, the legacy of Mr. James Patterson, deceased, amounting to three hundred dollars, and receipt to said Executors for the same; and that said legacy be placed in the Home Mission Fund of the United Presbyterian Church.

The following resolution was offered by Rev. Messrs. James P. Smart and R. D. Harper, and adopted:—

Resolved, That an order on the Treasurer be granted in favour of Rev. Wm. Davidson, for $25.00, as a remuneration for the expenses incurred by him in preparing the reports on the various Boards.

On motion of Rev. Messrs. R. A. Browne and James P. Smart, the consideration of the report on Intemperance was made the order of the day for to-morrow afternoon at 2½ o'clock.

The following resolution was offered by Rev. Messrs. George M. Hall and R. D. Harper, and adopted:—

Resolved, That *eight dollars* be allowed to missionaries for each Sabbath spent in missionary service.

On motion of Mr. James M'Candless and Rev. R. D. Harper, it was resolved that a fund be created, to be called *The Fund of the General Assembly*, to which our congregations are enjoined to contribute annually.

The Assembly then adjourned, to meet to-morrow morning at 8 o'clock.

Closed with prayer by Rev. Dr. Pressly.

Thursday morning, May 26th.

The Assembly met, and was opened with prayer by the Moderator.

The roll was called and corrected.

The minutes were read and approved.

The Committee on Overtures presented the following report in reference to a *Temporary Directory*, which was adopted, and ordered to be printed in the minutes:—

Report on Book of Discipline.

The Committee of Overtures, to which was referred the subject of making provision for a temporary Directory until a Book of Discipline shall have been prepared by the United Church, respectfully report:—

The books of Discipline in use in the two churches previously to the consummation of the union, are substantially the same. And therefore, pastors and congregations might be left at liberty to make use of either of these books, as may seem most convenient to themselves. But, for the sake of greater uniformity, it might be proper for each Presbytery to determine which of these books shall be employed in the congregations within its bounds.

Your committee would, therefore, respectfully recommend the adoption of the following resolution:—

Resolved, That it be left to the discretion of each Presbytery to adopt for its use, either the Associate or Associate Reformed Book of Discipline, until one shall be prepared by the United Church. All of which is respectfully submitted,

JOHN T. PRESSLY, *Chairman.*

The same Committee presented a report on the memorial from the Presbytery of Philadelphia, on the subject of *Presbyterial boundaries*, which was adopted, and ordered to be printed in the minutes:—

Report on Boundary between Presbyteries of Big Spring and Philadelphia.

The Committee of Overtures, to which was referred the subject of establishing the boundary between the Presbyteries of Philadelphia and Big Spring, submit the following Resolutions:—

Resolved, 1, That the western boundary of the Presbytery of Philadelphia be a line drawn from the southern boundary of the State of Pennsylvania northward along the Susquehanna River to the place where said river divides, and thence along its eastern branch indefinitely, so that it shall comprise the State of Maryland and the eastern portion of the State of Pennsylvania.

Resolved, 2, That the Presbytery of Big Spring comprise that portion of Pennsylvania lying between the aforesaid line and the summit of the Allegheny mountains.

Resolved, 3, That the Presbytery of Big Spring be constituted by Rev. Jos. M'Kee, or Rev. James Shields, his alternate, at Big Spring, in accordance with the action of the First Synod of the West, at its earliest convenience.

All of which is respectfully submitted, JOHN T. PRESSLY, *Chairman.*

The same Committee presented a report on the memorial from the Presbytery of New York, on *Ministerial Support*, which was adopted, and ordered to be printed in the minutes:—

Report on the Reference of the Presbytery of N. York, on Ministerial Support.

The Committee of Overtures, to which was referred the memorial from the Presbytery of New York, respectfully submit the following report:—

The subject of the memorial is "ministerial support." And the desire of the Presbytery is, that "the Assembly take such action as may tend to regulate the salaries of ministers labouring in weak congregations."

The amount of salary necessary for the support of the minister of the gospel depends on a variety of circumstances, so that the sum which would be ample in one situation and under certain circumstances, would be wholly insufficient in another situation and under different circumstances. And what may be necessary in any particular case, it is the province of the Presbytery, under whose care the congregation is, to determine. No general rule, applicable to all cases, can be adopted. It is for the Presbytery, which is supposed to be acquainted with all the circumstances, to determine what may be proper in particular cases, as they may occur.

Your Committee would, therefore, recommend the adoption of the following Resolution:—

Resolved, That the regulation of ministerial salaries belongs to Presbyteries, and does not properly come before the General Assembly.

All of which is respectfully submitted, JOHN T. PRESSLY, *Chairman.*

The same Committee presented a report on the proposed *division of the Synod of Illinois*, concluding with a resolution to the effect that it is inexpedient at the present time to make such a division. After considerable discussion, the

whole matter was, on motion of Rev. Messrs. J. W. M'Farland and James Prestley, postponed indefinitely.

The Committee of Correspondence presented a report, which was adopted as follows, and so much of it as refers to the Presbyterian Church (N. S.) was ordered to be forwarded to their General Assembly:—

Report of the Committee on Correspondence.

The Committee on Correspondence would further report that they have had the subject of correspondence with other churches under consideration. The attention of your Committee was directed, in the first place, to the propriety of opening a correspondence with other Evangelical churches in this country. In relation to this, it is the judgment of your Committee, that, however desirable a correspondence with other churches in this country, and especially those of the Presbyterian order, might be, it is not expedient for the General Assembly of this Church, at this its first meeting, to take any action with a view to such a correspondence. We, therefore, recommend that the consideration of this matter be deferred for the present, in order that a plan of correspondence with other churches may be properly matured, should it be thought advisable to take such a step.

Should the Assembly concur with the Committee in this part of our report, there would appear to be no farther action necessary in relation to a request of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church, (N. S.,) to open a correspondence with the General Synod of the Associate Reformed Church, which request was transferred to this Assembly and referred by them to the Committee.

Your Committee have read with pleasure the communication of Rev. D. W. Poor, conveying to this Assembly the fraternal regards of that body just mentioned; and would, in the name of the Assembly, reciprocate the kindly feelings expressed in that communication, and assure the brethren of that Assembly that were it not that, under all the circumstances, we deem it best to defer any action relative to the matter of correspondence with other churches in this country, we should be happy to open up a correspondence with the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church (N. S)

As it respects the opening of a correspondence with foreign churches, your Committee would recommend to the Assembly such a measure. There would appear to be some reasons calling for a correspondence with these churches which do not exist in the case before referred to. There is a greater degree of uniformity in the mode of worship and usages observed by these churches with those of our own church than there is in these respects between our own church and the larger bodies, even of the Presbyterian family, in the United States; though there is, doubtless, much between them and us that is common to all, and the existence of which should lead us to cultivate fraternal feelings towards each other. In addition to this fact, our brethren across the water, have not the same opportunities of cultivating an acquaintance with us and the position occupied by us as a branch of the church of Christ. We believe, too, that a correspondence with these churches would have the effect of awakening, throughout the United Presbyterian Church of North America, a greater interest in the cause of Christ as professed in different parts of the world by those of like precious faith with ourselves.

With these views, therefore, your Committee would recommend the adoption of the following Resolutions:—

1, That the subject of opening a correspondence with other Evangelical churches in this country be kept under consideration by the members of the Assembly with a view to some future action.

2, That the Assembly cordially reciprocate the fraternal regards expressed in the communication from the delegates of the General Assembly Pres. Church (N. S.)

3, That a letter be sent, by the hands of Rev. J. S. Easton and Rev. J. M'Gill, to the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church of Ireland to meet on the 4th of July, 1859.

4, That as the Assembly of the Free Presbyterian Church of Scotland and of the Presbyterian Church of England, and also the Synod of the United Presbyterian Church of Scotland will hold their sessions in the year 1860 before the next General Assembly could make provision for a correspondence with them, the Rev. Dr. Kerr be appointed by this Assembly as a delegate to visit these churches, and that a letter be sent, by his hands, from this Assembly to each of these bodies.

JOSEPH T. COOPER, THOS. H. BEVERIDGE,
J. B. DALES, J. B. SCOULLER.

The same Committee presented a draft of a letter to the churches specified in the above report, which was approved by the Assembly.

The Committee to nominate members of the various Boards, presented a report, which, after some amendments, was adopted as follows:—

Board of Foreign Missions.—Rev. J. B. Dales, D. D., S. C. Huey, Rev. H. H. Blair, Rev. J. T. Pressly, D. D., Rev. J. T. Cooper, D. D., T. D. Anderson, Rev. G. C. Arnold, Rev. Francis Church, T. B. Rich, Esq.

Executive Committee of the Board of Home Missions.—Rev. R. D. Harper, *Secretary*, Rev. Jas. P. Smart, Rev. R. H. Pollock, Rev. Joseph Clokey, D. D., David Millen, George Monroe.

Board of Publication.—Rev. James Rodgers, D. D., Rev. James Prestley, James Robb, Rev. Geo. C. Vincent, Rev. John G. Brown, James M'Candless, Rev. D. R. Kerr, D. D., Wm. Stevenson, Charles Arbuthnot.

Board of Church Extension.—Rev. J. T. Pressly, D. D., Rev. S. B. Reed, William Dyer, Rev. D. H. A. M'Lean, D. D., Rev. R. A. Browne, John Taggart, Rev. R. Gracey, George M'Cague, John Dean.

Board of Education.—Rev. D. Macdill, D. D., Rev. James Brown, John M'Clanahan, Rev. J. A. Edie, Rev. S. Millen, Wm. Nash, Rev. John Scott, James Findley, James Miller.

Trustees of the General Assembly.—James M'Candless, David Reed, John Alexander, Graham Scott, Thomas M'Cance, William Getty, Wm. M. Bell.

Rev. Dr. Dales, from the Committee on the State of Religion, presented the following report, which was adopted, and ordered to be printed in the minutes. See *Appendix.*]

Spent some time in devotional exercises, special reference being made to the consummation of the union on this day, and at this hour, one year ago.

The Committee on Psalmody reported the names of the following persons as the Committee to report an improved version of the Psalms:—Rev. Messrs. G. D. Archibald, Thomas Beveridge, D. D., R. D. Harper, Joseph T. Cooper, D. D., Alexander Young, D. D., David Kerr, D. D.

On motion of Rev. Messrs. R. H. Pollock and R. A. Browne, permission was granted to Dr. Geo. L. Weed to address the Assembly on behalf of the American Reform Tract and Book Society, of Cincinnati.

The following resolution was offered by Rev. Samuel Collins and Mr. Giffin, and adopted:—

Resolved, That one member from each Synod be appointed as a Corresponding Member of the Committee on an improved version of the Psalms. The following persons were appointed in accordance with this resolution:—Rev. Messrs. D. C. M'Laren, D. D., A. M. Black, R. H. Pollock, and W. H. Wilson.

Proceeded with the consideration of the report of the Joint Committee on the Boards.

The hour having arrived, the Assembly adjourned.

Closed with the benediction by the Moderator.

Thursday afternoon, May 26th.

The Assembly met, and was opened with prayer by the Moderator.

The calling of the roll was dispensed with.

The minutes were read and approved.

Notice was given of the arrival of Rev. A. M'Cartney, in the room of Rev. J. P. Scott.

Proceeded with the consideration of the report of the Joint Committee on the Boards.

The Committee on Nominations were instructed to nominate Treasurers for the different Boards.

Took up and adopted the paper entitled General Declarations of Duty.

On motion of Rev. Messrs. R. H. Pollock and Samuel Collins, it was re-

solved that the Board of Publication be authorized to prepare a revised edition of the metrical version of the Psalms now in use.

Proceeded to the order of the day—the consideration of the report of the Committee on Intemperance.

Rev. Dr. Pressly and Mr. John Alexander offered an amendment to the resolutions contained in the report. This amendment was accepted by the Committee, and adopted by the Assembly, as follows:—

Resolutions on Intoxicating Drinks.

1. *Resolved*, That the business of manufacturing and vending intoxicating drinks, for drinking purposes, is injurious to the best interests of society, and therefore inconsistent with the law of God, which requires, "Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself."

2. *Resolved*, That the use of intoxicating drinks as a beverage, has a tendency to lead to intemperance, and in most, if not in all cases, results in intemperance in a greater or less degree, and, therefore, is inconsistent with the law of God, which not only forbids all sin, but all the "causes, means, occasions and appearances thereof, and provocations thereunto."

3. *Resolved*, That church sessions have full authority, and it is their duty, to enforce the principle of total abstinence where, in the exercise of a sound discretion, they have reason to believe that the safety of the individual and the honour of religion require it.

4. *Resolved*, That the practice of renting houses to be occupied by those who are engaged in the manufacture and sale of intoxicating drinks to be used as a beverage, or for any immoral purpose, is utterly inconsistent with the honour of the Christian religion.

The following resolution was offered by Rev. Messrs. R. A. Browne and S. M'Arthur, and adopted by the Assembly:—

This Assembly having heard Dr. Geo. L. Weed, Secretary of the American Reform Tract and Book Society, located at Cincinnati, in regard to its efforts to disseminate a sound religious literature; *and whereas*, said Society publishes Tracts and Books on the crying sin of American Slavery as no other Society has done; and it is important that the rising generation be made acquainted with this system of oppression—

Resolved, That this Assembly recommend to our Sabbath-schools and members to supply themselves with the Sabbath-school books and other publications of the American Reform Tract and Book Society.

The following resolution was offered by Mr. John Alexander and Rev. Dr. Young, and adopted:—

Resolved, That the Board of Publication be requested to select, or prepare, and circulate as soon as possible, a tract on *Systematic Beneficence*, with facts and forms showing the working of the system.

The following resolution was offered by the same persons, and adopted:—

Resolved, That we recommend to all our congregations to observe the last Thursday of February next as a Concert of Prayer in behalf of the youth of our Church, and in behalf of Colleges and Institutions of Learning.

The Committee on Foreign Missions presented a report, which was adopted. [See *Appendix*.]

The following resolution was offered by Rev. Messrs. Dr. Dales and James Prestley, and adopted:—

Resolved, That Rev. Messrs. James Barnet, Gulian Lansing, and Thomas M'Cague, missionaries under the care of this General Assembly in Egypt, together with Rev. Messrs. James A. Frazier and John Crawford, similar missionaries in Syria, be authorized, in case the way should seem clear to them to do so, to form themselves into a Presbytery, to be known as the *Presbytery of Cairo*, under the jurisdiction of the General Assembly of the United Presbyterian Church of North America; to be organized at such a time and place as may be thought best by themselves; the oldest minister present preaching the

sermon; and that in case of such a Presbytery being formed, they present a Presbyterial report at the next meeting of the Assembly.

The following resolution was offered by Rev. Messrs. John G. Smart and James Prestley, and adopted:—

The Assembly having adopted the recommendation of the Committee of Foreign Missions to elect two missionaries to China, and Joseph C. Nevin and Samuel C. Ewing having been named in said recommendation—

Resolved, That JOSEPH C. NEVIN and SAMUEL C. EWING be, and hereby are elected missionaries of this church to CHINA.

The following resolution was offered by Rev. Messrs. James Prestley and John S. Easton, and adopted:—

Resolved, That the selection of two missionaries to India, and two to Africa, be referred to the Board of Foreign Missions.

On motion of Rev. Dr. Cooper and Isaac M'Gay, so much of the report of the Board of Foreign Missions of the Associate Synod as relates to *California*, was referred to the Executive Committee of the Board of Home Missions of the U. P. Church.

Adjourned, to meet at 7 o'clock, P. M.

Closed with prayer by Rev. J. B. Scouller.

Thursday evening, May 26th.

The Assembly met, and was opened with prayer by the Moderator.

The calling of the roll was dispensed with.

The minutes were read, corrected, and approved.

The Rev. Dr. Dales, from the Committee on Religious Exercises at the next meeting of the General Assembly, presented the following report, which was adopted:—

The Committee on making arrangements for Religious Exercises at the next meeting of the Assembly report:—

That Rev. J. B. Johnston be, and hereby is appointed as the Alternate of the Moderator, to preach the opening sermon.

That Rev. William Davidson be, and hereby is appointed to preach on the subject of Missions; and that Rev. James Harper be his Alternate.

The following resolution was offered by Rev. Messrs. R. A. Browne and R. D. Harper, and adopted:—

Resolved, That all the congregations of the United Presbyterian Church are hereby requested to take up a collection, if they have not already done so, on the *3d Sabbath of June*, or as soon as practicable, for the *Fund of the General Assembly* of the U. P. Church, and forward the same to the Treasurer of the Assembly.

The Clerk drew an order for twenty dollars in favour of the sexton of the 1st U. P. Church, Xenia.

The Clerk drew an order in favour of Rev. R. D. Harper, Clerk of the Committee of Home Missions, for thirty dollars, his salary.

The Clerk drew an order on the Treasurer, in his own favour, for sixty-five dollars, his salary.

The Clerk drew an order on the Treasurer in favour of Reed & Gray, for two dollars, for printing blanks.

On motion of Rev. Messrs. R. A. Browne and R. D. Harper, it was resolved that the Clerk of the Assembly be, and hereby is directed to publish 2,000 copies of the Minutes of this Assembly, and that he be authorized to issue an order on the Treasurer for the expenses of their publication, and that the proprietors of the *Evangelical Repository* and *Christian Instructor* be requested to publish them in their periodicals.

On motion of Rev. Dr. M'Lean, it was resolved that copies of the Minutes shall be distributed to all the congregations of the church, proportionate to their membership.

On motion of Rev. Messrs. James Thompson and James Prestley, it was resolved that the Committee on Correspondence be instructed to address a letter to the United Presbytery of Oregon, inviting them to unite with this General Assembly.

The following resolution was offered by Rev. Dr. Pressly, and referred to the Committee on the preparation of a Book of Discipline:—

Resolved, That in accordance with the rules in existence in the A. R. General Synod, at the time of the consummation of the Union, the General Assembly of the U. P. Church shall have no appellate jurisdiction, except in cases of doctrine.

The Committee on Nominations presented a report, which was adopted as follows:—

Treasurer of Board of Foreign Missions.—T. B. Rich, 190 Elizabeth street, New York.

Treasurer of Board of Home Missions.—John Fleming, Xenia, Greene county, O.

Treasurer of Board of Education.—Thomas Johnston, Monmouth, Warren county, Ill.

Treasurer of Board of Church Extension.—James M'Candless, 103 Wood street, Pittsburgh, Pa.

Treasurer of Board of Publication.—James M'Candless, 103 Wood street, Pittsburgh, Pa.

Treasurer of the Fund of the General Assembly.—James M'Candless, 103 Wood street, Pittsburgh, Pa.

The following resolution was offered by Rev. Messrs. Dr. Kerr and W. H. Andrew, and adopted:—

Resolved, That the Executive Committee of the Board of Home Missions be directed to apportion among the Presbyteries the amount needed to carry on our Home Missionary operations for the present year, and publish their apportionment, as soon as practicable, in the periodicals of the church.

The following resolution was offered by Rev. Messrs. Dr. Dales and Dr. Kerr, and adopted:—

Resolved, That in view of the calls upon the Foreign Mission Fund to sustain the missionaries of this church now in the foreign field, and to undertake the new missions agreed upon this day by this Assembly, all the congregations under the care of this church be requested to take up a collection on the 1*st Sabbath of August*, and forward the amount to the Treasurer, Mr. T. B. Rich, 190 Elizabeth street, New York.

The following resolution was offered by Mr. James M'Candless, and adopted:—

Resolved, That all funds paid by the Treasurers of the various Boards shall be on warrants signed by the Chairman, and countersigned by the Secretaries of said Boards.

The following resolution was offered by Rev. M. Clarke, and adopted:—

Resolved, That Messrs. William Getty, of Philadelphia, and John Fleming, of Xenia, be appointed a Committee to procure half-fare tickets for delegates to the next General Assembly.

The following resolution was offered by Rev. W. H. Andrew and Mr. Isaac M'Gay, and adopted:—

Resolved, That the thanks of this Assembly be, and hereby are tendered to the citizens of Xenia and vicinity, for their hospitality extended to the members of this Assembly, and of the Committee of Home Missions, during their sessions in this place.

The following resolution was offered by Rev. Messrs. J. W. M'Farland and Wm. Davidson, and adopted:—

Resolved, That the thanks of this Assembly be tendered to the various Railroad Companies which have kindly granted half-fare tickets to the delegates to this Assembly.

The following resolution was offered by Rev. Messrs. R. D. Harper and Dr. Dales, and adopted:—

Resolved, That the Treasurer of General Assembly be directed to borrow from the Foreign Mission Fund the sum of one hundred dollars, to be refunded from the first contributions to the Home Mission Fund, and that the same be paid to Mr. Thomas M'Cartney, for missionary labour to be performed in Kansas.

The Committee on the Statistical Tables presented a report, the first resolution of which was adopted; the second was referred to the Clerk, to use his best judgment in the case; and the third was adopted. The report is as follows:—

Report on Statistics.

The Committee on Statistical Tables respectfully present the following Resolutions:

Resolved 1st, That the reports be put into the hands of the Stated Clerk, who is hereby directed to procure their publication with such fulness as, in his judgment, may best exhibit the condition of the church.

Resolved 2d, That the following items, personal and financial, in their order, be provided for, hereafter, in the publication of blank Statistical tables:

I. PERSONAL.—1, Name of Ministers. 2, Post Office. 3, Congregation. 4, No. of Families. 5, No. of Communicants. 6, Increase by Examination. 7, Increase by Certificate. 8, Decrease by Death. 9, Decrease by Dismission. 10, Baptisms, infant. 11, Baptisms, adult.

II. FINANCIAL.—(To be reported in Dollars only.) 1, Home Missions. 2, Foreign Missions. 3, Education. 4, Publication. 5, Church Extension. 6, Assembly's Fund. 7, Synod's Fund. 8, Salary paid by Congregation. 9, Salary paid by Assembly. 10, General Contributions. 11, Total Amount. 12, Average per Member. 13, A Correspondent.

Resolved 3d, That the Stated Clerk be directed to have printed and to forward to the clerk of each Presbytery, at least three months previously to the meeting of each Assembly, two blanks for Presbyterial reports, and twice as many Congregational blanks as there are congregations in each Presbytery; affixing to each blank such printed directions as may be necessary.

Respectfully submitted,

J. L. CRAIG, R. H. POLLOCK, R. A. BROWNE.

The following resolution was offered by Rev. Messrs. Dr. Kerr and R. A. Browne, and adopted:—

Resolved, That Rev. Messrs. Wm. Davidson, James P. Smart, R. H. Pollock, and R. D. Harper, and Mr. John Alexander, be a Committee to prepare the plan of a *Sustentation Fund*, and report to the next General Assembly.

Rev. J. P. Wright asked and obtained leave to withdraw his paper on missionary operations.

On motion of Rev. Messrs. Thos. H. Beveridge and R. D. Harper, the Clerk was directed to procure a Book of Records for this Assembly.

On motion of Rev. Messrs. J. W. M'Farland and Thos. H. Beveridge, the thanks of the Assembly were tendered to Messrs. Reed & Gray, of the *Xenia News*, and to the Reporters of the *Cincinnati Gazette*, and *Xenia Torch-light*, for their faithful reports of the proceedings of the Assembly.

The following resolution was offered by Rev. Messrs. Dr. Dales and Thos. H. Beveridge, and adopted:—

Resolved, That this General Assembly be now dissolved; and that another, similarly constituted, be called to meet on the 4th Wednesday of May, 1860, at 7½ o'clock, P. M., in the 2d United Presbyterian Church, Philadelphia, Pa.

The minutes were read and approved.

After some remarks by the Moderator, the General Assembly adjourned.

Closed with prayer by the Moderator, singing the 133d Psalm, and pronouncing the benediction.

PETER BULLIONS, *Moderator.*

JAMES PRESTLEY, *Principal Clerk.*

Xenia, Ohio, May 26th, 1859.

APPENDIX.

CONSTITUTIONS OF THE BOARDS.

Constitution of the Board of Foreign Missions.

I. There shall be a Board of Foreign Missions, appointed by and amenable to the Assembly.

II. It shall consist of nine members, who shall hold their office three years, and five of whom shall constitute a quorum. Of those first chosen, three shall go out of office annually in the order of their names; and thereafter three shall annually be elected by the Assembly.

III. The Board shall be located in the City of Philadelphia.

IV. The Board shall meet quarterly, and as much oftener as necessary; and shall hold its first meeting on the 3d Tuesday of June, 1859, at ten o'clock, A. M., in the Second Church.

V. The Board shall have power to fill any vacancies occurring therein during the year, and shall be styled, "The Board of Foreign Missions of the United Presbyterian Church of North America."

VI. To this Board shall be intrusted, with such directions and instructions as may from time to time be given by the Assembly, the superintendence of the Foreign Missionary operations of the Church.

VII. The Board shall make to the Assembly an annual report of its proceedings, its condition, and its needs, and shall submit for approval such plans and measures as may be deemed necessary or useful.

VIII. To the Board shall belong the duty, though not the exclusive right, of nominating to the Assembly Missionaries and Agents, and of designating fields of labour: to them shall belong the duty of receiving the reports of the Corresponding Secretary; of giving him needful directions in reference to all matters of business and correspondence intrusted to him; of preparing for the Assembly estimates of all appropriations and expenditures of money; and of taking the particular direction and oversight of the Foreign Missionary work; subject to the revision and control of the Assembly.

IX. All property, houses, lands, tenements, and permanent funds, belonging to the Board, shall be taken in the name of the Trustees of the Assembly, and held in trust by them for the use and benefit of "The Board of Foreign Missions of the United Presbyterian Church of North America."

X. The Board shall have power to enact its own By-Laws.

XI. This Constitution shall not be changed unless by a vote of two-thirds of the General Assembly present at any of its sessions, of which notice shall be given at least one day previously.

XII. The Board shall submit an abstract of its condition, proceedings, wants, and plans, to the several Synods of the Church at their annual meetings.

Board of Foreign Missions.—Rev. Dr. Dales, S. C. Huey, Rev. H. H. Blair, Rev. Dr. Pressly, Rev. Dr. Cooper, T. D. Anderson, Rev. G. C. Arnold, Rev. Francis Church, T. B. Rich, Esq.

Treasurer, T. B. Rich, Esq., 190 *Elizabeth Street, New York.*

Constitution of the Board of Home Missions.

I. There shall be a Board of Home Missions. It shall be chosen by the Presbyteries, and be under the control of the Assembly.

II. It shall consist of one member from each Presbytery of the Church, who shall be elected annually by the Presbytery.

III. The Board shall meet annually, six working days previous to the meeting of the Assembly, and in the place appointed for the meeting of the Assembly; and its duty shall be to superintend, in subordination to the Assembly, the whole work of Domestic Missions within the bounds of the United Presbyterian Church.

IV. There shall also be an Executive Committee of five, and a permanent Secretary. They shall be chosen by the Assembly: the members of the Executive Committee to serve during one year, and the Secretary during four years. The Secretary shall be, *ex officio*, a member of this Committee.

V. The Committee shall be located in Xenia, Ohio. It shall meet quarterly, or oftener if necessary, for the transaction of business.

VI. At least three weeks previously to the meeting of the Assembly, the Presbyteries shall report, in writing, to the Secretary as follows:—

1. The names of the men whom they desire to place at the service of the Board.
2. The Mission stations for which they desire aid.
3. The amount of funds raised during the year.
4. The number of men, and the amount of money they desire for the year to come.

From these written statements the Executive Committee shall prepare a digest of the whole, and present it to the Board of Domestic Missions on the first day of its annual meeting.

VII. To the Executive Committee shall also be intrusted the carrying out of the plan of operations adopted for the year; together with the power to meet unforeseen emergencies, as they may arise, they being responsible to the Assembly for the exercise of this power. Nor shall they encroach upon the rights of the Presbyteries.

VIII. The rules to guide Presbyteries in making reports to the Board of Home Missions, and the rules regulating the action of the Board in making distribution of the men and the means placed at its disposal, shall be as follows:—

REGULATIONS OF THE BOARD OF HOME MISSIONS.

1. It shall be the duty of each Presbytery to ascertain what places within its territory require missionary aid; to group together such a number of vacancies or missionary stations as may make one convenient missionary charge; to instruct their delegate who is to sit in the Board, for what number of missionaries he shall apply, and the amount which will be needed from the public fund for their support, and likewise, what probationers and unsettled ministers within the Presbytery are willing and suitable to be employed as missionaries. [All others are to be reported to the Assembly as unsettled ministers, who may either be left with their own Presbyteries, or, on application, be appointed to labour in others as supplies; but shall be entitled to no support from the Missionary Fund.]

2. The Board of Missions, when met, and when they shall have all the facts before them, provided for in the previous article, shall apportion to each Presbytery, such missionaries, and such amount of funds, as in their judgment, after a full and impartial survey of the whole field of operations, the interests of the Church require.

3. Each Presbytery requiring missionary aid shall provide, in such a way as to itself shall seem best, for the proper distribution of the missionary force, and the safe-keeping and disbursement of the missionary funds put under its control.

4. No missionary shall be appointed for a less period of time than three months, except licentiates having one session yet to spend in the Seminary, who may be appointed for shorter periods.

5. Every missionary shall be for the time being under the control of the Presbytery within whose bounds he is labouring.

6. No missionary shall receive pay from the Missionary Fund for any labours which he may perform out of the field to which he is sent.

7. All unsettled ministers and probationers, not employed as missionaries, shall remain subject to appointments from their own Presbyteries, and shall labour in the vacancies of any other only on parole of their own Presbytery, and by appointment of the Presbytery into whose bounds they come.

8. Vacancies able to support a pastor, will be expected to bear the whole expense of their supply, and no money shall be paid for this purpose out of the Missionary Fund.

9. Unsettled ministers or probationers, wishing to travel out of the bounds of their appointments, shall first obtain permission of their respective Presbyteries.

10. In the distribution of money drawn from the Home Missionary Fund, no Presbytery shall appropriate any part thereof except for the labour performed on missionary ground, in accordance with the direction of the Assembly on that subject, and under the direction of Presbytery as to time and place; and of the expenditure of the Assembly's money they shall render an account at the next annual meeting of the Board of Missions.

11. Old or declining congregations or vacancies shall not be reported as missionary ground; nor yet unoccupied territory, where there is little prospect of building up churches; but only new and flourishing stations and vacancies, where there is a reasonable prospect that, by the blessing of God on word and ordinances, churches will be successfully established.

12. The Executive Committee of the Board of Home Missions shall audit quarterly the accounts of unsettled ministers and probationers labouring on missionary ground, and, where the labour has been performed, grant orders upon the Treasurer accordingly.

13. In expending appropriations, the Treasurer shall accurately record in specific detail the purposes to which they have been applied; and every delegate to the Board of Missions shall bring with him hereafter a certified account of the Treasurer's statement relating to the expenditures of the previous year; and failing to do so, this Board shall have no power to make appropriations to them, and they shall not be entitled to a seat in the Board.

14. In every case where pastors are settled on an allowance from the funds of the General Assembly, such congregations shall be required to report to the Presbytery, within whose geographical limits they may lie, and through such Presbytery to the Board of Home Missions, the amount of money actually received, and how it has been expended, the degree of success they have realized, and their prospects for the future, and particularly whether they have raised the amount of funds required by the Assembly as the condition on which the appropriation was made.

15. When the labour has been performed, one half of the appropriation made to any Presbytery may be drawn from the Home Missionary Fund, at any time during the year, on the order of the Chairman of the Executive Committee of the Board.

16. No money shall be drawn upon any appropriations contingent upon settlement, until the settlement be actually made, and *the labour performed.*

17. When a missionary charge wishes to call a pastor, and pledges $250 for his support, Presbyteries shall have power, provided they judge it expedient, to settle such charge, and appropriate from the Missionary Fund, in order to complete the pastor's support, for the first year, $150; for the second year, $100; for the third year, $50; when such aid shall cease: it being understood that such congregation will increase its portion in the same ratio—$400 being considered the *minimum* on which a minister may safely settle in any ordinary location.

18. It is earnestly recommended to vacancies to labour for the settlement of pastors, and to devise liberal things in behalf of those whom they call to break unto them the bread of life, that they may be without carefulness among them, and giving themselves wholly to their work, may make full proof of their ministry. And it is also earnestly recommended to probationers and unsettled ministers to seek the pastoral office, knowing that "if a man desireth the office of a bishop, he desireth a good work."

IX. The Board having made an apportionment of the men and money placed at its disposal, it shall prepare a full report of its proceedings to the Assembly, for its revision and ratification. It shall also, from time to time, make such recommendations to the Assembly as shall be judged advantageous to the cause intrusted to its care.

X. All property, houses, lands, tenements, and permanent funds, belonging to the Board of Home Missions, shall be taken in the name of "The Trustees of the General Assembly of the United Presbyterian Church of North America," and held by them in trust for the use and benefit of said Board.

XI. The Board shall have power to enact its own By-Laws.

XII. This Constitution may be altered by a majority of all the Delegates to any General Assembly, at any of its sessions, notice of the same having been given at least one day previously.

Executive Committee.—Rev. R. D. Harper, *Secretary*, Rev. Jas. P. Smart, Rev. R. H. Pollock, Rev. Joseph Clokey, D. D., David Millen, George Monroe.

Treasurer,—John Fleming, Xenia, Greene Co., Ohio.

Constitution of the Board of Publication.

I. There shall be a Board of Publication appointed by, and under the control of the Assembly.

II. It shall consist of nine members, who shall hold their office for three years; five of whom shall constitute a quorum. Of those first elected, three shall go out of office annually, in the order of their names; and thereafter three shall be elected annually by the Assembly.

III. The Board shall be located in the City of Pittsburgh, Pa. It shall meet monthly for the transaction of business, and as much oftener as necessary; and its first meeting shall be in the Lecture Room of the Second United Presbyterian Church, on the 3d Tuesday of July, 1859, at 2 o'clock, P. M.

IV. The Board shall have power to fill any vacancies occurring therein during the year; and shall be styled, "The Board of Publication of the United Presbyterian Church of North America."

V. The object of the Board shall be—

1. To select or publish such tracts, papers, periodicals, and books, as shall be a sound and suitable literature for families, Sabbath Schools, ministers, congregations, and the community at large.

2. To take such measures as may be judged necessary or desirable in the widespread circulation of its publications.

3. To publish whatever the Assembly shall direct.

VI. The Board shall annually transmit to the Assembly a report of its condition, its proceedings, and its wants; and shall embody therein such suggestions, touching the general cause intrusted to it, as it may judge advisable.

VII. All property, houses, lands, tenements, and permanent funds, of the Board shall be taken in the name of "The Trustees of the United Presbyterian Church of North America," and held in trust by them for the use and benefit of "The Board of Publication of the United Presbyterian Church of North America."

VIII. It shall be the duty of the Board to manage its affairs so as that its liabilities shall not exceed its assets available within the year; and so as to furnish its publications at the cheapest practicable rates.

IX. The Board shall have power to enact its own By-laws.

X. This constitution may be altered by the vote of a majority of all the Delegates to any Assembly; notice of the same having been given at least one day previously.

Board of Publication.—Rev. Dr. Rodgers, Rev. James Prestley, James Robb, Rev. Geo. C. Vincent, Rev. Jno. G. Brown, James M'Candless, Rev. Dr. Kerr, Wm. Stevenson, Charles Arbuthnot.

Treasurer.—James M'Candless, 103 Wood Street, Pittsburgh, Pa.

CONSTITUTION OF THE BOARD OF CHURCH EXTENSION.

I. There shall be a Board of Church Extension, appointed by the Assembly, and under its control.

II. It shall consist of nine members; five of whom shall constitute a quorum. The members shall hold office for three years. Of those first elected, three shall go out of office annually, in the order of their names; and thereafter three shall be annually elected by the Assembly. The Board shall have power to fill any vacancies occurring therein during the year.

III. The Board shall be located in the city of Allegheny, Pa. It shall meet quarterly, and as much oftener as necessary. Its first meeting shall be in the 2d U. P. Church, on the 2d Tuesday of June, at 2 o'clock, P. M.

IV. The duty of the Board shall be to promote the extension of the United Presbyterian Church, by aiding systematically in the erection of church edifices, wherever they are needed; furnishing money, as they may judge discreet, and plans for church edifices, either at cost, or gratuitously, when requested to do so. And to them, in subordination to the Assembly, shall the direction and oversight of the work of Church Extension be committed. In their action they shall be guided by the following general rules:

1. They shall make no appropriation to any church not under the control of one of our Presbyteries, nor without the recommendation of the Presbytery to which it belongs.

2. They shall ascertain the amount to be appropriated in each case by the carefully ascertained necessities of that case, and by the state of the funds.

3. Their appropriations, as far as practicable, shall be equitably diffused throughout the church.

4. As an ordinary pre-requisite of the payment of every appropriation made by them, they shall require a certificate from the trustees of the church that the church lot is fully secured to the United Presbyterian Church, and that the amount granted by the Board will complete the church, and leave the property free from debt.

5. They shall withdraw every appropriation not properly called for in two years.

V. The Board shall submit to the Assembly an annual report of its proceedings, its condition, and its wants; and an abstract of the same to the several Synods of the church at their annual meetings.

VI. All property, houses, lands, tenements, and permanent funds of the Board of Church Extension shall be taken in the name of the Trustees of the United Presbyterian Church of North America, and held in trust by them for the use and benefit of said Board.

VII. The Board shall have power to enact its own By-laws.

VIII. This Constitution may be altered by a vote of a majority of the delegates

commissioned to any General Assembly, at any of its sessions; notice of the same being given at least one day previously.

Board of Church Extension.—Rev. Dr. Pressly, Rev. S. B. Reed, William Dyer, Rev. Dr. M'Lean, Rev. R. A. Browne, John Taggart, Rev. R. Gracey, George M'Cague, John Dean.

Treasurer.—James M'Candless, 103 Wood Street, Pittsburgh, Pa.

CONSTITUTION OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION.

I. There shall be a Board of Education, appointed by, and under the control of the Assembly.

II. The Board shall consist of nine members; five of whom shall constitute a quorum. They shall hold their office for three years. Of those first elected, three shall go out annually, in the order of their names; and thereafter the Assembly shall annually appoint three.

III. The Board shall be located at Monmouth, Ills., and shall hold its first meeting in the First Church, on the 1st Thursday of July, 1859, at 2 o'clock, P. M. It shall meet quarterly, and oftener, if necessary.

IV. The Board shall have power to fill any vacancies occurring therein during the year; and shall be styled, "The Board of Education of the United Presbyterian Church of North America."

V. The objects of the Board shall be—

1. To cherish and diffuse an educational spirit throughout the church.

2. To co-operate with the Presbyteries, the Synods, and the Assembly, in the establishment of Institutions of Learning.

3. To assist in the education of pious and promising young men in their literary and theological education for the ministry.

4. To concert and execute such measures as may be judged proper for increasing the funds of the Board, and promoting the general cause.

5. In disbursing their funds, they shall aim to make an equitable distribution to the several Presbyteries; and this in view of the special claims of each Presbytery.

VI. No young man shall be patronized or assisted unless he produce a testimonial of his hopeful piety and talents from some Presbytery, under whose care he shall be taken.

VII. Presbyteries shall make such arrangements and selection of a Seminary for the young men under their care, as in their opinion shall be most eligible for the prosecuting of their education, whether classical or theological.

VIII. In collecting funds for the purposes of education, the Board shall in all cases keep specific contributions for candidates, or for Seminaries, Academies, and Colleges, distinct from each other; but if no special direction is indicated, then the funds shall be appropriated to educate students of theology; and if they are not needed for this, then they shall be appropriated to aid young men in their literary course.

IX. The Board shall make to the Assembly an annual report of its proceedings, its condition, and its wants; and shall propose such plans or measures as may be thought necessary or useful; and shall submit an abstract of the same to the several Synods at each of their annual meetings.

X. All property, houses, lands, tenements, and permanent funds belonging to the Board shall be taken in the name of the Trustees of the General Assembly of the United Presbyterian Church of North America, and held in trust by them for the use and benefit of the Board.

XI. The Board shall have power to enact its own By-laws.

XII. No alteration of this Constitution shall be made, unless by the consent of a majority of all the Delegates commissioned to the Assembly, at any of its sessions, of which notice shall be given at least one day previously.

Board of Education.—Rev. Dr. Macdill, Rev. James Brown, John M'Clanahan, Rev. J. A. Edie, Rev. S. Millen, Wm. Nash, Rev. John Scott, James Findley, James Miller.

Treasurer.—Thomas Johnston, Monmouth, Warren Co., Illinois.

GENERAL RULES ADOPTED BY THE ASSEMBLY TOUCHING THE MATTERS INTRUSTED TO THE CARE OF THE ASSEMBLY'S BOARDS.

1. It shall be the duty of every member of the church, to give annually to each of the Funds of the church, as God may prosper him.

2. It shall be the duty of the officers of each church to see that every member in

their respective congregations is afforded an opportunity of contributing to each of these Funds at least once annually.

3. Any congregation, settled or vacant, which shall fail to contribute to the Funds of the church shall not be entitled to benefit from *any* of the Funds, except by a special act of the Assembly, during that year. (This rule to be in force in one year from the date of its adoption.)

4. Each Presbytery shall annually report to the Board of Home Missions a list of all the congregations under its care that have not contributed during the year to any of the Funds of the church; and shall specify the Fund or Funds to which no contribution has been made; and the Board shall report the number of such delinquent churches to the Assembly. And if any Presbytery shall fail in its duty in this particular, the Board shall report such Presbytery to the Assembly.

5. The several Boards of the Church shall submit an abstract of their proceedings and wants to the several Synods of the church, at their annual meetings; and the Synods shall take up these communications *seriatim*, and shall give them such solemn and prayerful consideration as shall seem to be demanded; and shall devise such measures, competent to them, as shall, in their judgment, best forward the interests intrusted to the care of those Boards.

6. The entire church, and especially the Boards of Education and Home Missions, shall keep ever in view the great and increasing number and religious wants of our foreign population, and earnestly endeavour to supply them with the ordinances of the gospel, and to establish congregations among them.

7. The Assembly will, every fourth year, elect Treasurers for each of the Boards under her care. The Treasurers, when entering on office, shall give bonds and security to their respective Boards for the security of the funds intrusted to them. They shall also attend the meetings of the Boards.

8. No Board shall incur liabilities which, in the aggregate, shall exceed a reasonable estimate of their means available during the year.

9. All donors, whether individuals or associations, shall have a right to designate the Funds of the church to which their contributions shall be applied; and where such designation shall be indicated, the same shall be entered by the Treasurer as *Special Funds*, and shall be strictly applied to the purpose or purposes indicated.

[10. Each of the Boards of the Assembly shall annually forward to the Secretary of the Committee of Finance and Revision an abstract of its report to the Assembly, one month previously to the meeting of the Assembly. *This rule was not adopted, but ordered to be printed.*]

GENERAL DECLARATIONS OF DUTY BY THE ASSEMBLY, ON POINTS CONNECTED WITH THE VARIOUS ENTERPRISES OF THE CHURCH.

1. At least one annual contribution ought to be made by every congregation, settled or vacant, to each of the Boards of the Assembly. And, that there may be system, the Assembly earnestly recommends that the contributions be made as follows:

For Foreign Missions, on the 1st Sabbath of January.
" Publication, " " " February.
" Home Missions, " " " April.
" Education, " " " July.
" Church Extension, " " " October;

or as near the times specified as practicable.

2. Those who have the means would do a good work by placing the publications of our Board in the hands of our Home Missionaries for distribution: as also by making special and liberal donations to that Board, in the outset, to enable it to commence its work of publication as soon and as efficiently as possible.

3. We recommend every church under our care to keep themselves supplied with at least one set of the publications of our Board, as a congregational library, under the care of the Session.

4. Every officer and member of the U. P. Church should continually feel that the eyes of God are on him; that he is not his own, but is bought with a price; that every moment he is working for eternity; that it is his honour, his interest, and his duty to consecrate all he is, and all he has, to the service of God, both now and forever; and that in doing so, there is exceeding great reward—a crown of unfading glory. And the Assembly earnestly urges upon all, both high and low, the duty of fervent and unceasing prayer to the Lord of the harvest—the great Jehovah Sabaoth—that He would guide, prosper, and accept us in these our undertakings;

so that though our beginning be small, our latter end may greatly increase, and men be blessed, and his great name honoured through all ages. AMEN.

CONSTITUTION OF THE GENERAL COMMITTEE OF FINANCE AND REVISION.*

I. There shall be a General Committee of Finance and Revision.

II. It shall be chosen by the Synods, and shall be composed, for the present, of sixteen members. Each Synod shall elect four—two ministers and two laymen. The members shall hold their office for four years. Of those first elected, one from each Synod shall go out of office annually, in the order of their names. [The members whose terms of office have expired shall not be eligible for re-election for four years.]

III. The Board shall meet annually, six working days prior to the meeting of the Assembly, and in the place appointed for the meeting of the Assembly. Ten members shall constitute a quorum.

IV. Each of the other Boards of the Assembly shall report an abstract of its condition, proceedings, plans, and wants, to the General Committee of Finance and Revision; and the Presidents of those Boards shall be *ex officio* members of the Committee.

V. It shall be the duty of the Committee—

1. To receive and consider such communications as may be made to it by the several Boards of the Assembly; to consult as to how the general interests of the whole church, committed to the care of those Boards, may best be promoted; and to make thereon such recommendations and suggestions as may be judged judicious.

2. They shall also make such suggestions, on any subject, touching the interests of religion, as may be thought adapted to promote the extension and the edification of the church.

VI. They shall prepare blank forms of subscription to the various Funds of the church, suitable for use in congregations, and submit them to the next Assembly. And it shall be their duty to prepare and publish a work on systematic beneficence and on personal consecration to the service and the cause of God, at an early day.

VII. They shall, in the Synods to which the members belong respectively, be committees to present the interests of the various Boards, and any other of the general interests of the church, to the consideration of those Synods, at each of their annual meetings.

VIII. They shall annually make nominations to the Assembly for vacancies occurring in the several Boards of the Assembly, and for persons to preach on Missions, Education, or any other subject that may be of present importance. Other nominations may be made in the Assembly; and the election shall be by ballot.

IX. At the request of any three of the several Boards of the Assembly, the Chairman shall call a special meeting at such time and place as shall be judged convenient: timely notice of the same being given.

X. The Committee shall have power to enact its own By-laws.

XI. Alterations may be made in this Constitution by a vote of two-thirds of the Assembly present at any of its sittings; notice of the same having been given at least one day previously.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Report of the Board of Foreign Missions to the Associate Synod of North America, to meet in Xenia, May the 18th, 1859; and transmitted, by order of Synod, to the General Assembly of the United Presbyterian Church.

This is probably the last report which this Board, as presently organized, will be called upon to make to the supreme judicatory of the Church. They would take occasion gratefully to recognise the mercy of God in sparing, from year to year, the lives of the members of this Board, and in enabling them to prosecute, with so much unity of views and harmony of feeling, the important work committed to their hands. They would also, with thankful hearts, record the fact that during the successive years in which they have been conducting the affairs of the Mission, their intercourse with the different Missionaries in the service of the Church has uniformly been of a most agreeable character. In resigning, therefore, their trust into other hands, as they will most probably be called upon to do, it is gratifying to them to be able to give their successors the assurance that they will have under their care and oversight Missionaries who are in every respect worthy of their confidence and esteem.

* This paper formed a part of the report of the Joint Committee on the Boards. It was laid on the table and ordered to be printed in the Minutes.

In the first place, the Board would direct the attention of the Synod to the Trinidad Mission.

In referring to this Mission, we are reminded of the mournful fact that the brother who was the first foreign Missionary of the Associate Church, and who was for several years connected with this Mission, has lately been called away by death. It is gratifying, however, to know that there are still at this station some who remember with gratitude the labours of brother Banks in their behalf.

For some time past, this Mission has been receiving the services of the Rev. George Brown, of the Free Church of Scotland. The labours of this brother are divided between Savannah Grande, our station, and San Fernando, the station of the Free Church. Mr. Brown resides at our station, which circumstance secures to it an advantage superior to that enjoyed by San Fernando. He receives, in consideration of his services, the sum of $400.00 per annum from the Board. We are not able to state precisely the number of members connected with the congregation there formed. It is gratifying, however, to know, by the last accounts, that they are adorning their profession, and making progress in the knowledge of divine things. The average attendance at the Sabbath School, we have been informed, is twenty. The prospects of an increase in the membership or attendance are not encouraging, as the Creole labourers on the plantations are being displaced by persons from Asia and Africa, who have lately in great numbers been introduced into the Island. Efforts for the evangelization of these immigrants cannot be made by a Missionary without a knowledge of the Hindoo, Chinese, and Congo languages.

We have been informed that the Chapel there during the past year has been repaired by the efforts of friends in the Island. The Board, at a late meeting held in the City of New York, agreed to appropriate $100 to be used by brother Brown in keeping the Mission buildings in repair, and in the purchase of Bibles and Tracts for circulation. This contribution was not asked by brother Brown, but the Board deemed this appropriation to be highly proper under the circumstances, not only as a recognition of the interest evinced by the friends of the Mission on the Island, but as a means by which our brother there may be enabled to extend his usefulness as a Missionary. We doubt not that this act of the Board will meet the cordial approbation of the Associate Synod.

As it respects the California Mission, the Board regrets the necessity of having to say that unless the Church should again put forth her efforts to establish herself in that country, our cause there is at an end. The probability is that brother Herron will be in the Atlantic states before this report will be read in Synod. It will be recollected that the Associate Synod, at its last meeting, passed a resolution directing Mr. Herron to explore as much of the state as he could during the summer, and unless he should find a more encouraging field that he should be invited to return as soon as practicable. Having visited several places in the state, and not meeting with encouragement, he came to the conclusion that it was his duty to return. Whilst this result is to be regretted, it is some satisfaction to know that brother Herron was instrumental in collecting a congregation of professing Christians, who have erected a neat and comfortable Church. It is true that they did not see proper to continue their connexion with the Associate Church, and have obtained the services of another minister, yet that Christ is preached we do rejoice; yea, and will rejoice.

Notwithstanding the discouragements that have attended past efforts to establish in California the cause of Christ, as professed by us, the Board would still invite the attention of Synod to the claims of California in general, and of San Francisco in particular, as a field for missionary labour. We are deeply impressed with a sense of the importance of planting our standard in that interesting and growing country. It is worthy of serious consideration whether more vigorous and energetic efforts should not be put forth to secure this most desirable result. It may require a very considerable expenditure of money on the part of the Church, but we would submit whether the claims of that part of the country, as a missionary field, are not such as to justify such an outlay. Would it not be well to have a special collection taken up by all our congregations until a sufficient sum would be raised for the erection of a house of worship in San Francisco, corresponding somewhat in style to other Churches in that city; and to select one of her ablest ministers, with a sum sufficient for his support for one year? Were something like this done, the Board feel satisfied that a large congregation would in a short time be collected. They have reason to believe that there is in that city a considerable number of persons whose previous religious training, connexions and associations,

would strongly induce them to attend upon the ministrations of a Missionary from our Church, which, under God, we might hope would prove a blessing to their souls. The result might be, not merely that some of this class of persons would have a mode of worship more congenial to their views and feelings than they have there, and on this account, (apart from other considerations,) to them much more impressive; but that very many would, by this means, be reached and influenced, who will otherwise be lost to the Church in general. Is not the prospect sufficiently encouraging to justify such an effort as this, and would not the successful occupancy of such a position as San Francisco more than compensate for all the outlays which it might require? Suppose a house of worship, free of debt, were once erected by the Church, and a congregation should fail to be gathered, the property might be sold, and the proceeds of the sale return to the funds of the Synod, to be directed in some other channel. The Board have felt it to be their duty, at all events, to call the attention of the Synod to this matter. They deem it most important to the future interests of our Church, that this field should, if possible, be occupied without delay: but they have little hope that any thing can be done towards a permanent organization by merely sending a Missionary there to preach in some rented hall. On the plan here proposed, we have acted in our efforts to build up the cause of Christ in India, and why should we not adopt a similar plan in relation to San Francisco?

We now invite the attention of the Synod to our Mission in India. It is with hearts much encouraged by the past, that we proceed to make some statements relative to this Mission. Notwithstanding the fearful desolation with which almost every part of that country was visited some two years ago, it is gratifying to be able to record the fact, that not only have peace and order been restored, but that those terrific scenes through which our brethren there have passed, have terminated in a state of things much more favourable to the furtherance of the gospel than it appears to have been prior to that time. Our brethren at the station appear to have been visited with something like a season of revival. In one of their late letters, it is stated that "there has been much of the spirit of prayer for the last eighteen months, and it seems to be increasing." A movement for united prayer originated at Sialkot, and a circular was sent to different parts of the country, urging the brethren to engage in this exercise: and the call was cordially responded to in many places to which the circular was sent. This is surely a sign that God is about to do great things for India. It is also gratifying to know that the operations of missionaries in India are meeting with much more favour from the British authorities there than they formerly did. This also cannot but be regarded as a favourable token.

In our last report, we stated that five had been brought by them out of the darkness of heathenism into the light of the Gospel, though one of them had, prior to that time, departed this life. In a letter received some time ago from one of the Missionaries, we are informed that about the first of last January, nine persons were baptized by them, and received as members of their congregation. Of these nine, eight had come out directly from the heathen. In the conversion of these souls from the delusion and darkness of heathenism, we may surely recognise the fact that the great Head of the Church is giving the seal of his approbation to our missionary operations in India.

The probability is that the two native licentiates were ordained by our brethren about the first of January. Our Missionary band now in India consists of the following persons: Revs. A. Gordon, E. H. Stevenson, R. A. Hill, and the two native ministers, E. P. Swift, and G. W. Scott, together with Miss E. Gordon, who is employed in the capacity of a teacher.

We are not prepared to state the number of scholars receiving instruction in the Mission school. Should their Presbyterial report reach the Synod in time, it will no doubt contain specific intelligence in regard to this and other matters. Nor can we inform the Synod precisely what is the number of orphans now under the care of the Mission family. It is, however, thought that their number has not been increased any during the last year. It is with no little difficulty that they can be procured, and their continuance with the Missionaries secured. This will account for the fact that some of the congregations and sabbath schools that have taken scholarships for the education of orphans, have not heard from the missionaries: their contributions have not been appropriated by these missionaries, as they have not obtained the children to whose education to apply the funds in the treasury.

The missionaries have at least three separate residences. By the last accounts they were erecting a church and school-house. To these objects there have been

no appropriations made by the Board: nor has there, as yet, been any application from the missionaries for any appropriation for these objects. Their not doing so is accounted for by the fact that the most gratifying liberality toward our mission has been evinced by Europeans in India. The amount contributed by them for the year 1858 was nearly $900.00. In a letter from Mr. Gordon to his brother James, it appears that there had been contributed by the 10th of December, 1858, by the friends of the mission in India, for the church and school-house, about $784. While we should thankfully acknowledge the kindness of these contributors, we should not, at the same time, fail to recognise in it a token of God's favour to the work in which we are engaged.

During the past year the Board have been applied to for an appropriation of $2,250 for the erection of houses in the hill country to which the missionaries may resort during the extremity of the hot season. Such a provision in that country is absolutely necessary. This request of the brethren was granted by the Board after due consideration. This sum in connexion with the regular expense of the mission for the year 1859, involves an outlay of $7,250. To meet this outlay we would require an accession to our funds of not less than $2,000, while we should be prepared to remit in October next enough to sustain the mission during 1860. The estimate of probable expense for 1860 which has been submitted to the Board, and approved by them, amounts to about $5,000. It should here be borne in mind that this estimate does not include scholarship expenditure, which comes out of a separate fund, derived from special contributors.

The Board would now ask the attention of the General Assembly to a matter in relation to which they have felt it to be their duty to take action. It will be seen by reference to the Evangelical Repository, for January, 1859, page 455, that brother Gordon, in a letter to Rev. James McArthur, speaks of the injury which missions among the heathen often sustain, by the fact that much of the time of the Missionaries was necessarily devoted to matters that were extraneous to their office. A lay brother in the church, and one with whom brother Gordon was well acquainted, had his attention, some time ago, called by brother Gordon to the propriety of going to India, with a view of attending to those matters which now occupy so much of the Missionary's time, and also with the view of instructing the natives in agriculture and other branches of industry. This brother has had considerable correspondence with Mr. Gordon on the subject, and the result is, that he feels inclined to go, should it be in accordance with the views of the Board and the Church, although we would hardly be warranted in saying that his mind is made up on the subject. He believes, from the information he has received from Mr. Gordon, that he can render aid to our missionaries there in relieving them of some of their work which is not directly missionary. He also believes that once established in India in the capacity just mentioned, he could easily support himself while promoting the great cause. Owing, however, to the want of funds, he desires from $500 to $700, to enable him to proceed to India. The Board had for some time this matter under consideration, and were disposed, from their knowledge of the person and the advantages which would be likely to accrue to the mission, to view the matter in a very favourable light. They have, therefore, concluded to ask authority from the Synod to appropriate $600, to enable this brother to proceed to the contemplated field of labour.

One more matter, and we shall bring this report, already perhaps unduly extended, to a close. It is the solemn conviction of the Board that the Synod should adopt measures at this meeting for making an addition of one or more to the number of our missionaries in India. The Head of the Church has been to our brethren, in the countries, where they have gone, a little sanctuary, protecting them from the rage of those who were thirsting for their blood. And not only so, but He has evidently been giving to them and to us some special tokens of His favour. Surely these things call for gratitude on our part, and in what more appropriate way can we show our gratitude than by sending forth other labourers to strengthen their hands in the Lord's work? But this is not the only consideration that should urge us to take this step. The signs of the times in India plainly indicate our duty in this respect. The natives are everywhere manifesting an increasing interest in the gospel. In some instances they are even coming to missionaries from distant villages, that they may hear something of Jesus. The failure of their attempt to throw off the British yoke, has tended greatly to shake their confidence in the priesthood and the gods upon whom they had relied. The martyr-spirit evinced by their Christian countrymen during those terrible scenes of persecution that have been brought to a close, has doubtless most favourably impressed the hearts of multitudes. The countenance that is now so fre-

quently given to missionaries by those in authority, cannot fail to arrest the attention of those deluded devotees of idolatry, and awaken in their hearts emotions of fear and distrust. These things appear to us to be conclusive indications that a most momentous religious crisis is fast approaching in India—a crisis that calls upon us as a church to do what we can to re-enforce the little army of Christians, who are there faithfully and valiantly bearing aloft the standard of the Redeemer.

JOSEPH T. COOPER,
Chairman of the Board.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF AGENCY FOR FOREIGN MISSIONS OF THE A. R. CHURCH.

To the General Assembly of the U. P. Church, to meet in Xenia, 18th May, 1859, the Board of Agency for Foreign Missions present their Annual Report:

The daily prayer of the Church of God is, Thy kingdom come; and while this prayer is uttered, it must not be forgotten that the church has a work to perform in promoting the coming of this kingdom. Throughout a large portion of the earth, the authority of the King of Zion is not acknowledged; Satan, the god of this world, wields an uncontrolled sceptre; darkness covers the earth, and gross darkness the people. Under the dominion of this moral darkness, the nations are blindly worshipping the work of their own hands, and, through their ignorance of the living and true God, are calling upon gods who can neither hear the prayers nor supply the wants of their deluded worshippers. On some favoured portions of the earth, however, the light of Christianity has arisen; and on those on whom the light has shined there lies an obligation to send the blessing of which they have been made partakers, to those who are perishing in ignorance and sin. We, as a distinct portion of the household of faith, have been awakened in some degree to a sense of the obligation resting upon us, to perform our part in the work of sending the gospel to the destitute and the perishing. And though it is with us, as yet, the day of small things, we would desire to be thankful that we have been honoured of God as the instruments of doing anything, however little, in preparing the way for the introduction of that happy day, when the earth shall be full of the knowledge of the Lord, as the waters cover the sea.

In presenting our Annual Report, the Board cannot refrain from an expression of our gratitude to God, for the preserving care exercised over our brethren in the foreign field during the past year. At one time, owing to the unsettled state of things in Syria, and the vindictive feelings towards foreigners and the native Christians, which pervaded the Moslem population after the massacre at Jedda, considerable apprehensions were entertained for the safety of our brethren. But He who keepeth Israel, who neither slumbers nor sleeps, watched over our brethren, and they were permitted to prosecute their work of faith and labour of love without interruption.

In our last Annual Report, it was stated that in consequence of feeble health, Miss Dales was under the necessity of suspending her school in Damascus, where she had been so usefully employed. Since that time the girls' school has been discontinued. The boys' school is still in operation. The usual exercises, both during the week and on the Sabbath, have been kept up during the year with about the same success as in former years. The attendance on the exercises of the Sabbath does not seem to have increased in any considerable degree, and only three additional members have been added to the church. There seems to be a growing desire among the natives to possess the sacred Scriptures; a spirit of inquiry seems to be awakened, which it is hoped in process of time will result in leading many to a saving knowledge of the truth. The services of our physician, Dr. Hattie, are of great importance to the mission, while it is believed that in his professional intercourse with the natives, he is exercising an influence favourable to their spiritual interests.

With regard to the mission in Egypt, we have nothing of much importance to communicate additional to our report of last year. When Miss Dales found it necessary to relinquish her school in Damascus, she visited Alexandria, and finding that place more favourable to her health, she remains there, and is associated with Mr. Lansing in superintending a school in that place. Both the boys' school, under the care of Mr. Lansing, and the girls' school, under the care of Miss Dales, appear to be in a prosperous condition. A large proportion of the girls in Miss Dales' school are daughters of Abraham, and over them she is apparently exerting a most happy influence. And as they daily read the New Testament and receive instruction in the great facts and truths of Christianity, it is hoped that many of them may be led to embrace Him of whom Moses and the prophets did write.

Under the auspices of the British and Foreign Bible Society, a depository for the

sale and distribution of Bibles, Tracts, and Religious Books has been established, which promises to yield important aid in promoting the general interests of the mission. The demand for the sacred Scriptures is increasing, a spirit of inquiry is excited, and a desire to obtain religious information is manifesting itself.

The Mission in Cairo, without producing any very marked results, appears to be quietly and steadily advancing. Though none of the natives have as yet been received into Christian fellowship, there are several who are regular in attending upon the means of religious instruction, whose minds are familiar with the elementary principles of Christianity, and who it is hoped will soon be prepared to make an open and public profession of their faith in Christ.

Our brethren in each of the three Missionary Stations labour under great disadvantages in consequence of having no buildings of their own, in which to hold their religious meetings, and to conduct the operations of their schools. In Damascus, after various disappointments, they have at length procured what they regard as a suitable lot, and in connexion with the brethren of the Irish mission, they propose to erect a building in the course of the coming summer. They have had on hand for some time past, funds which were contributed for this purpose, but probably not sufficient to erect such buildings as are considered necessary.

In Alexandria and in Cairo, our brethren think it necessary to their success that they should soon possess suitable buildings of their own. At present they find it difficult to obtain for rent such accommodations as are requisite, and are constantly under the necessity of changing their location. They have, moreover, assurances of aid from English residents in both those cities, as soon as they are prepared to commence operations. It is for the Assembly to say whether the Board shall encourage them to go forward in making arrangements to accomplish the desirable object which they have in view. Our brethren, Barnett and McCague, have published an "Appeal in behalf of Protestant Missions in Cairo," which is herewith presented, from which the Assembly will learn more definitely the object of their desire.

A very earnest desire for additional help is expressed by our brethren, both in Alexandria and Cairo. The state of Mr. Barnett's health is such as to render some relaxation imperatively necessary. Believing that a visit to the churches in his native country might be of advantage to the general interests of the mission, as well as to his health, the Board some time since gave him permission to return at such time as he might think proper. He has, however, manifested an unwillingness to leave his post until one shall be sent to occupy his place during his absence.

The Board are happy to be able to inform the Assembly that a young brother, who is thought to be well qualified for the work, has placed his services at the disposal of the church, as a Foreign Missionary. The field to which his attention has been more particularly directed is China, but it is believed that he would be willing to go wherever the interests of the cause might seem to require. And though there has not been a formal tender of his services, there is another young brother, whose attention has been directed to the subject of a Foreign Mission, and whose services, we have learned, could probably be secured, should the Assembly think proper to employ him. From all that is known of these young brethren, we would have no hesitation in recommending them as well qualified to engage in this important, self-denying work.

In concluding our Report we would say that, while we have nothing of a character peculiarly interesting to communicate, yet we are not without encouraging evidence that the cause is gradually and steadily advancing under our care. Our brethren are labouring indefatigably, and though the fruit may not seem to be so abundant as we could hope, yet there is cheering evidence that our labour is not entirely in vain. Our brethren are now sowing the seed; they are directing the native mind to the subject of their eternal interests; they are awakening a spirit of inquiry in relation to the concerns of the soul; and some they have led to a saving knowledge of the Redeemer. Like the husbandman, who after sowing the seed must wait patiently for the early and latter rain to mature the precious fruits of the earth, so must the labourer in the vineyard of the Lord exercise patience, and continue instant in prayer. And our past experience encourages the hope that in due season, we shall reap, if we faint not.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

JOHN T. PRESSLY,
Chairman of Board of Agency.

May 20th, 1859.

AN APPEAL IN BEHALF OF PROTESTANT MISSIONS IN CAIRO, EGYPT.

The American Missionaries of the United Presbyterian Church of North America, having been established in Cairo upwards of four years, have now arrived at that stage in their work, at which it is necessary to conduct their operations on a more permanent and enlarged scale than that upon which they have heretofore been acting.

This initiatory period has been spent principally in becoming familiar with the language, and with the true character of the work. By experience we have found that we can have free intercourse with the people, especially the rising generation, since parents are willing, and many of them anxious to intrust their children to us for instruction. Our school has been in operation more than three years, in which the scholars, averaging thirty in number, have made commendable progress in secular education, and in religious knowledge. In the distribution of the Scriptures, and of religious tracts and books, there has been a constant advance in the number sold. During the whole time of our residence we have maintained religious services both in English and Arabic, at each of which services the audiences have gradually increased from a very small to a respectable number, ranging from fifteen to forty persons. Our character is now to some degree established, as we have formed acquaintances, and have become favourably known to native and European residents. Considering the difficulties with which a commencement in the missionary work is always attended, every reasonable hope has been realized, and we have every encouragement to advance in our labours.

Heretofore we have been embarrassed and restricted in our operations, both among the natives and Europeans, on account of the want of suitable Missionary Premises. These we now wish to obtain as soon as we possibly can raise the funds. The Premises, requisite for the successful prosecution of our work, should embrace a lot with a church for both English and Arabic services, and buildings containing suitable rooms for male and female schools, as well as for a depository and reading room.

On the importance of Cairo, with its 300,000 inhabitants, as a missionary field; on its central position to the rest of Egypt, and the East; on its great destitution of Education; on the need of the moral and religious elevation of its inhabitants, and on the gospel's being the great means appointed for their elevation; and on the duty of those enjoying gospel blessings to spread them abroad, this is not the place to dwell. As a special claim, however, which our work has upon English and American citizens we may note the monthly and annual increase of passengers and travellers, as well as the growing number of employees in the service of government, to whose spiritual interests we ever feel it our duty, according to our opportunities, to attend. All acquainted in the least with the facts will see at a glance the propriety, and the absolute necessity of such an establishment for the successful prosecution of our labours, and for the advancement of the kingdom of our Lord Jesus Christ, in these dark lands, where ignorance and superstition, and false religion and fanaticism abound. We are thus minute in our statements that all who may favour us may have a clear view of our condition.

In urging our wants we have frequently been encouraged by friends that we should not appeal in vain for the funds when we should mature our plans, and see our way clearly for enlarged operations. As one means of raising the necessary funds we have determined to open subscription papers to be presented to residents and travellers, and to be sent to friends at a distance; and we do hereby earnestly appeal for their assistance in our labours of love and works of faith.

Missionaries of the Board of Agency for Foreign Missions of the General Assembly of the United Presbyterian Church of North America. — James Barnett, Thomas McCague.

Cairo, Egypt, Feb. 8, 1859.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE OF MISSIONS.

PART I.

Appropriations for the Coming Year.

Caledonia.—Sterling (cont. sett.,) 100; Geneva, (cont. sett.,) 100.

Philadelphia.—General Missions, 300; 7th Church, 200; Kensington Mission,* 300; Shippen St., 150.

Boston.—1st Boston, 100; General Missions, 100.

Ohio.—Wellsville, (cont. sett.,) 150; Stow and Springfield, 150.

* Provided a missionary can be obtained.

Monongahela.—General Missions, 200.
Lake.—Oakland, &c., 2d year, 125; Beaver Dam, 200; General Missions, 50.
Big Spring.—Concord, &c, 100; Reedville, 36; Huntingdon, 25.
Mansfield.—Sulphur Spring, &c., (c. s.) 50; Sandusky, (c. s.) 50; Mount Vernon, 90; General Missions, 175.
Chicago.—Galena, 150; Ross Grove, 100; Freeport, &c., 100; Neshanoc, &c., 100; Neenah, &c., 100; General Missions, 50.
Mercer.—Youngstown, 50.
Butler.—General Missions, 100.
Allegheny.—General Missions, 350.
Le Claire.—Iowa city, 250; Scotch Grove, &c., 112; Kingston, 75; General Missions, 200.
Westmoreland.—Greensburg, (c. s.) 100.
Bloomington.—Peoria, 300; Bloomington, 300; Chenoa and Big Spring, 75; Prospect city, 50; Tacusa and Spring Creek, 100; General Missions, 100.
First Ohio.—2d and 3d Churches, Cincinnati, 425.
Chilicothe.—Sciota, &c., 100; General Missions, 50.
St. Louis.—Chester, 200; General Missions, 150.
New York.—Providence, 175; 11th Street, 200; 2d Brooklyn, 300; Hoboken, 200; Patterson, 75; Sutton, 100; 7th Cong., 225; Brooklyn, E. D., 200; Newark, 75.
Keokuk.—Pleasant Valley, 20; Birmingham, 34; Sugar Creek, 16; General Missions, 400.
Kansas.—Manhattan, (J. D. Steele,) 100; Berea, (J. N. Smith,) 100; Americus, (G. W. Torrence,) 100; Garnett, (J. R. Slentz,*) 100; Leavenworth, 300.
Chartiers.—Cross Creek, 25.
Stamford.—Port Robinson, 100; London, 50; General Missions, 300.
Cambridge.—Queensbury, 150.
Detroit.—Detroit, (c. s.) 200; Commerce, (c. s.) 50; Nankin, 25.
Albany.—Lansingville, (1st y'r.,) 150; New Kingston, (c. s.) 150.
S. Indiana.—New Providence, 75; Portland, 75; General Missions, 100.
Saratoga.—Cabin Hill, (c. s.) 100; Hobart, (c. s.) 100.
Indiana.—Indianapolis, 200; Madison, 100; General Missions, 25.
Xenia.—Dayton, 200; Wilmington and Reeseville, 50; Columbus and Bethel, 100.
Michigan.—Lafayette, (c. s.) 175; Centreville, (c. s.) 75; South Holland, 50; General Missions, 50.
Sidney.—Gilead, 40; Hale, 40; General Missions, 50.
Vermont.—Greensboro', 50.

SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS.

Dubuque, 300; Baltimore, 300; Lawrence, 350; Kansas Mission, 500; Blount County, Tennessee, 50.
Monmouth.—Rock Island and Davenport, (provided united) 100; Oquawka, (cond. 300,) 200; Hancock, (cond. 300,) 100; Young America, (cond. 200,) 25.
Des Moines.—Des Moines City, 300; Wintersett and St. Charles, (c. s.) 100; Corydon, 50—(c. s.) 75; Vandalia, 40—(c. s.) 50; Indianola, 25; General Missions, 150; Chariton, 75; Sioux City, (con. sup.) 175; Summerset, (c. s.) 50; Amity, (c. s.) 75; Eldora, 20.

APPROPRIATIONS FOR COMING YEAR, FOR SETTLEMENTS MADE.

Caledonia.—Howard, 3d year, 50; Cuylerville, 2d year, 100.
Philadelphia.—6th Church, 175.
Big Spring.—Middle Ridge, 2d year, 25.
Boston.—Thompsonville, (if necessary,) 100.
S. Indiana.—Scotland, 2d year, 100; Carmi, 3d year, 50; 2d Bloomington, 50.
Michigan.—Murray, 2d ½ year, 25.
Bloomington.—Low Point, 3d year, 50.
Monmouth.—Twin Grove, 3d ½ year, 25.
Le Claire.—Andrew, 2d year, 100.

PART II.

Distribution of Missionaries.

For the whole year.—I. Faires, Big Spring. H. Connelly, and James Dinsmore, Boston. Dr. Finley, Muskingum. John Wallace, do. Joseph Walker, do. D. B. Jones, and Jno. Adams, Big Spring. W. C. Pollock, Butler. Thomas Wilson, Steubenville. Alexander Wilson, do. Jno. Donaldson, do. Jos. Andrews, Ohio. Oli-

* Provided Mr. S. remove to another location.

ver Katz, and J. D. Walkinshaw, Westmoreland. G. Small, Indiana. J. T. Tate, and Dr Doig, Keokuk. W. Cook, Monmouth. T. Dickson, Indiana. J. H. Bonner, J. S. Buchanan, and N. R. Kirkpatrick, Chilicothe. G. W. Gowdy, M. Oldham, J. S. McCracken. J. W. Bain, Dr. Wilson, and Dr. Beveridge, Xenia. Thos. Calahan, —— Tedford, W. Lind, and J. R. Shepherd, Michigan. B. Waddle, J. L. Bull, and C. T. McCaughan, Sidney. J. B. Johnston, Wheeling. Dr. Macdill, Robt. Ross, James M'Arthur, J. R. McCallister, M. Morrison, D. C. Cochrane, A. Conner, and J. C. Hutchison, Monmouth. M. Clark, and J. S. M'Cullough, Bloomington. J. A. Shankland, Jno. Freetly, and R. Gilmore, Chicago. J. R Bonner, Sidney. Joseph Buchanan, Steubenville. J. H. Buchanan, and W. C. McCune, 1st Ohio. Daniel Steele, James Morrow, M. M. Brown, A. B Cassill, and W. Wright, St. Louis. D. Lindsay, J. P. Chambers, A. Pattison, R. J. Hammond, and Daniel McLean. Keokuk. B. L. Baldridge, J. N. Smith, G. W. Torrence, J. D. Steele, and Thos. M'Cartney, Kansas. Dr. McLaren, David Currie, W. Currie, P. D. McNab, and J. L. Robertson, Caledonia. A. R. Anderson, and Jno. McClellan, Detroit. W. W. Barr, Philadelphia. James Ingles, and Thomas Turner, S. Indiana. Alexander Donnan, Chartiers. J. T. Torrence, Ohio. Dr. Clarke, Dr. Taggart, H. Parks, and Josiah Stevenson, Wheeling. Well. Wright, and A. McHatten, Michigan. A. Miller, Conemaugh. J. S. Aten, Chicago for Galena. Jas. Miller, J. H. Young, W. Douthett, J. A. Vance, A. C. Triss, John Graham, Joseph White, and Joseph S. Maughlin, Des Moines. Dr. Patterson, William Findley, G. C. Vincent, and Andrew Black Mercer. Dr. M'Lean and W. G. Reed, Allegheny. J. A. Campbell, Dr. Kerr, L. Marks, J. C. Nevin, and J. P. Ramsey, Monongahela. James Law, and Jno. W. Harsha, Cambridge. Geo. Mairs, Wm. Howden, and James McAnley, Washington. W. C. Somers, and Dr. Proudfit, Saratoga. J. L. McLean, W. A. McConnell, and S. M. Hutchinson, Mansfield. A. Irons, Butler. D. Strang, Blount Co., Tennessee. T. J. Kennedy, Lake. H. Sturgeon, London, C. W.

W. L. McConnell.—Westmoreland, Chartiers, Wheeling, Big Spring, each three months.

J. M. Jamison.—Butler, July and August; Conemaugh, September and October; Allegheny, rest of the year.

S. C. Ewing.—Conemaugh, July to October; Butler, April to June.

Thomas Brown.—Le Claire, Sidney, Muskingum, Chilicothe, each three months.

S. C. Reed.—Philadelphia, September, October, November; Cambridge, December to February; Albany, March to May; New York, June.

J. H. Peacock.—Steubenville, Ohio, Mercer, Wheeling, each three months.

W. G. Waddle.—Wheeling, 2; Muskingum, 1; Chartiers, 3; Sidney, 3; Caledonia, 3.

J. M. Henderson.—Sidney, 2; Steubenville, 3; Ohio, 3; Muskingum, rest of year.

David Forsyth.—Muskingum, Butler, Big Spring, Philadelphia, each three months.

Joseph McClintock.—Lakes, 6; Detroit, 3; Stamford, 3.

Joseph Boyd.—Sidney, Mercer, Lakes, Mansfield, each three months.

William Carlisle.—Conemaugh, Westmoreland, Butler, Muskingum, each three months.

William Smith.—Butler, 3; Mercer, 1; Butler, 2; New York, 3: Chartiers, 1; Conemaugh, 2.

Thomas Andrews.—Indiana, July to October; Sidney, April to June.

W. C. Jackson—Big Spring, 3; Detroit, 3; Chartiers, 6.

Sample Ramsey.—Michigan, 6; Chicago, 3; Indiana, 3.

J. H. Timmons.—Chartiers, July, August; Wheeling, September, October; Mansfield. April to June.

William McKee.—Chartiers, Wheeling, Albany, Cambridge, each three months.

J. McCartney.—Conemaugh, 1st 3; Allegheny, 2d 3; Lakes, 4th 3.

H. McHutten.—Vermont, 6; Sidney, 3; Chartiers, 3.

J. Armstrong.—Sidney, June, July; Big Spring, 4; Philadelphia, 4; New York, 3.

Alexander McCahan.—Michigan, 6; S. Indiana, 3· Michigan, 3.

W. H. Jeffers.—Sidney, 1; Des Moines, 3; Le Claire, 4; Bloomington, 4.

Joseph McHatten.—Mansfield, 2; Le Claire, 10.

E. A. Brownlee.—S. Indiana, St. Louis, Bloomington, Des Moines, each three months.

James Sawhill.—S. Indiana, 3; Indiana, 2; Chilicothe, 1; Michigan, 3; Detroit, 3.

James I. Frazer.—Allegheny, Big Spring, Boston, Vermont, each three months.

J. N. White.—Allegheny, September to November; Big Spring, 1; Philadelphia, 1; New York, 3; Caledonia, 2.

J. G. Austin.—Ohio, 3; Steubenville, 3; Mansfield, 2; Sidney, 1; Wheeling, 3.

W. H. McFarland.—Muskingum, 1; Des Moines, 8; Chartiers, 3.
S. W. Clark.—Wheeling, Ohio, Chartiers, Steubenville, each three months.
S. M. L. Kier.—Michigan, S. Indiana, Chilicothe, Wheeling, each three months.
W. J. Robinson.—Washington, July; Caledonia, August; Philadelphia, September. October; New York, last 3.
William Melvin.—Detroit, 3; Butler, 1; Wheeling, 2; Ohio, 3; Mercer, 3.
D. C. Nevin.—Saratoga, Caledonia, Lakes, Michigan, each three months.
W. A Black.—Steubenville, Muskingum, Michigan, S. Indiana, each three months.
D. Thompson.—Lakes, 3; Chartiers, 6; Muskingum, 3.
J. C. Truesdale.—New York, Albany, Saratoga, Philadelphia, each three months.
C. K. Potter.—St. Louis, Keokuk, S. Indiana, Chicago, each 3 months.
Jas. C. Herron.—Chartiers, Lakes, Caledonia, Saratoga, each 3 months.
James Welch.—Muskingum, July, Aug.; Chilicothe, Sept., Oct.; Sidney, April to June.
J. B. Foster.—Chilicothe, July, Aug.; Mercer, Sept., Oct.; Steubenville, April to June.
A. A. Rodgers.—Le Claire, Des Moines, Keokuk, St. Louis, each 3 months.
Jno. P. Robb.—Albany, Saratoga, Lakes, Chartiers, each 3 months.
Geo. K. Ormond.—Mercer, 2: Mansfield, 2; Sidney, 2; Butler, 3; Ohio, 3.
J. L. Whitla.—Monmouth, July to Oct.: Chicago, April to June.
S. E. M'Kee.—Mansfield, Steubenville, Muskingum, Monmouth, each 3 months.
R. G. Wallace.—New York, 6; Vermont, 3; Albany, 3.
J. E. Taylor.—Saratoga, 6; Chicago, 6.
W. L. Wilson.—Allegheny, 3: New York, 3; Saratoga, 6.
Jas. A. M'Kee.—Big Spring, Wheeling, Chartiers, Big Spring, each 3 months.
J. K. Black.—Bloomington, 6; Indiana, 3; Keokuk, 3.
T. W. Winter.—Philadelphia, Lake, Wheeling, Steubenville, each 3 months.
John Edgar.—Caledonia, New York, Big Spring, Lake, each 3 months.
H. K. Lusk.—Mercer, July; Monongahela, rest of the year.
D. H. French.—Philadelphia, July, Aug.; Mansfield, Sept., Oct.; Lake, April to June.
J. L. Purdy.—Chicago, 6; Michigan, 6.
W. W. Templeton.—Michigan, S. Indiana, each 3; Indiana, April, May; Xenia, rest of the year.
David Ferguson.—Steubenville, 3; Mansfield, Nov. to Jan.; Ohio, April to June.
Rev. J. P. Scott.—City of Detroit, first 3 months.

PART III.

Resolutions.

1st. *Resolved*, That we recommend that the appropriations from the Home Mission Fund, for the settlement of pastors, shall ordinarily be 1st year, $150; 2d year, $100; 3d year, $50; when such appropriations shall cease.

2d. *Whereas*, This Committee, in the prosecution of their labours to supply the destitute portions of our country with the means of grace, have been more deeply impressed with the utter inadequacy of the means placed at their disposal for the accomplishment of the work committed to their care; and,

Whereas, It is believed that the pecuniary resources of the church, if fully developed, are abundantly sufficient to enable us to cultivate the field already occupied, as well as to enter upon new territory as yet unexplored; and,

Whereas, It is further believed that the duty of giving to benevolent purposes as God has prospered us has not received that attention among our people which its importance demands; therefore,

Resolved, That it be recommended to the General Assembly to devise some plan of *Systematic Beneficence*, by which greater efficiency may be secured in the prosecution of all the benevolent operations of the church.

3d. *Resolved*, That Rev. Jno. B. Clark be employed in the city of Chicago, and that Rev. Benj. Waddle be his alternate, and that $500 be appropriated for his support.

4th. *Resolved*, That we recommend that an order be granted on behalf of the Clerk of the Committee of Missions of the U. P. Church, for $30, for services of this year.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE OF OVERTURES ON THE PETITION OF REV. R. W. FRENCH.

The Committee of Overtures to which was referred the petition of Rev. R. W. French, submit the following report:

The desire of the petitioner seems to be the simplification of the Standards. And, to accomplish this object, two modes of operation are suggested:—to remodel the Standards of the Church, with a view to abbreviate and otherwise adapt their form to the wants of our age; or, to prepare a compendium of the principles which these Standards contain, which compendium shall be the test of membership in the church.

However desirable it might be, on some accounts, to simplify, in some degree, our Standards, so that they might be exhibited in a less complex form, the present would not seem to be an opportune time to undertake a work of this kind. There is, perhaps, in this dyspeptic age, a taste already too prevalent for little books and light reading. And it certainly is not desirable that the Standards of the Church should be so framed as, even in appearance, to minister to the gratification of such a taste. The Standards of the Church should contain strong meat for men of full age, as well as milk for babes.

If we should adopt the first method suggested, and abbreviate our Standards, some things which they now contain must be left out. But the U. P. Church is not prepared to drop her Testimony for any principle of truth for which the bodies composing this church have hitherto contended. And if we retain in its integrity that system of truth embodied in our Standards, it would be difficult to express it in a plainer or more intelligible manner, than that in which it is already exhibited.

Should a compendium be prepared, and adopted as a test of membership, according to the second method proposed, this would be virtually a new Confession of Faith, and would result in setting aside our present Standards from the position they are designed to occupy.

In the judgment of your Committee, that which is at present demanded is, not the framing of a new Confession of Faith, nor yet the patching up of an old one, but the faithful application of the great principles of truth embodied in our existing Standards.

Your Committee would therefore recommend the adoption of the following resolution:—

Resolved, That the interests of the U. P. Church demand, not the preparation of a new Creed, either in form or in fact, but the faithful application of the principles contained in her Standards. All which is respectfully submitted.

JOHN T. PRESSLY, *Chairman.*

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE OF OVERTURES ON THE MEMORIALS OF DAVID JACKSON AND OTHERS.

The Committee of Overtures to which were referred the Memorials of David Jackson and others, submit the following report:—

The memorialists complain of difficulties in the way of their entrance into the fellowship of the United Presbyterian Church, arising chiefly out of the alleged vagueness and indefiniteness of our profession. It is difficult, if not impossible, to employ language in the expression of our views, on which men, who are so disposed, cannot put different interpretations. And it would not comport with that respect which this Assembly owes to itself, to reply to insinuations which question our sincerity in the public profession which we have made.

The United Presbyterian Church has explicitly declared that an adherence to the Westminster Standards, and to the Declarations contained in her Testimony, will be required of those seeking communion with her. And, further, she has distinctly affirmed that the forbearance in love which the law of God requires, is to be exercised to those who follow the things which make for peace, and things wherewith one may edify another; and not to those who determinedly oppose the Standards of the Church. And such forbearance has always been exercised in both branches of the united body. The United Presbyterian Church claims to be honest in making the Declarations contained in her Testimony; and those who will not give her credit for honesty in her profession, certainly could not desire to enjoy her fellowship; nor is it likely that they would be satisfied with any explanation which she could give of her received principles.

Your Committee would therefore recommend the adoption of the following resolution:—

Resolved, That on the subject of the distinctive principles of the United Presbyterian Church, no further deliverance than that which is contained in her Testimony for the truth is at present necessary.

Report on the State of Religion.

The Committee on the State of Religion, beg leave to report—

That in their examination of the Reports of the forty-one Presbyteries under the care of this General Assembly, they have found much that calls for thanksgiving at the close of the first year of the History of the United Presbyterian Church, and will be for good in the years that are to come.

As an evidence of the presence of the Lord Jesus in His Church, and of His hearing the prayer that He would send forth labourers into His harvest, your Committee make grateful mention that a goodly number of young men are reported as engaged in study, preparatory to their entering upon the holy ministry, and the following twenty-three persons have been licensed, during the year, to preach the everlasting gospel, viz.: D. C. Niven, Thomas Anderson, W. W. Barr, W. M. Jamison, S. C. Ewing, A. R. Anderson, Thomas J. Kennedy, W. L. Wilson, James I. Frazier, James B. Foster, James Welsh, W. R. M'Kie, J. H. Timmons, J. L. Whitla, Joseph McCartney, W. J. Robinson, J. C. Nevin, Lafayette Marks, John W. Bain, A. Connor, J. C. Hutcheson, Thomas McCartney, W. H. Jeffers.

The following twenty ordinations have taken place, viz.: James Haggarty, R. B. Ewing, A. McCartney, W. J. McSurely, R. D. Williamson, G. H. Robertson, John Harper, Thomas Mercer, James A. Clark, F. M. Proctor, W. M. Coleman, William McElwee, J. L. Clarke, A. Henry, J. M. Adair, Wm. Grimes, B. K. Ormond, Joseph A. Collins, Wm. A. Pollock, W. P. Currie. And the four following additions have been made to our ministerial ranks, on the faith of good credentials from sister branches of the Church of Christ, viz.: Rev. D. J. Patterson, John MacLellan, Daniel Steele, and J. B. Johnston.

During the year, twenty-eight pastoral settlements have been made, with encouraging tokens of the divine blessing following them; and twenty-three calls are now pending, with the prospect of the pastoral relation being formed, in answer to them, at an early day. While, however, these settlements are gratefully noticed, as indicating a genuine and promising state of things in the Church at large, yet it must not be concealed that, a large number of pastoral charges have been demitted during the past year, and that, thereby, numerous churches have been made vacant, many ministers unsettled, and large numbers of people greatly hindered in their growth in vital religion. In several of these cases, these changes have resulted from the union of congregations under the care of this Assembly. But many have also arisen, and may arise still, from other causes, such as the love of novelty and change on the part of the pastor or people, or from the indulgence of a worldly and indifferent spirit in the Church, and a consequent inadequate support of the ordinances of grace, or from a sinfully neglecting or lightly esteeming God's ordained institution of the pastoral relation: but, in every such case, a dissolution of the pastoral relation, or a want of it, should be regarded as an affliction or judgment at the hands of God—is usually a sign of a low state of religion, and ought to be guarded against in every proper way. Pastors and people should most frequently and perseveringly avoid whatever may lead to it; Presbyteries should be slow in granting applications for it; and ministers and vacant congregations ought to seek this relation at the earliest day, that the Great King and Head of the Church may direct, and labour to be faithful in it always,—even unto the end.

From all parts of the Church, and in nearly every Report, mention is made of the most happy results of the Union that was consummated in May last, between the Associate and the Associate Reformed Churches. Hearts and hands that had long been alienated, have flowed together in love and manifold good works. Congregations and communities that for years were estranged from each other, have been brought, in some instances, to become one happy family in a single, efficient, and useful pastoral charge; and, in numerous other instances, to become knit together in love, and to stand forth as if girded with a strength, and on a mission divine, to be labourers together with one another, and their common Saviour, in the cause of truth and righteousness in the world, and for salvation to the ends of the earth. Already, in many a place, has there been glad occasion for the saying, "Behold, how good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity." And thankful for all a gracious God has done on their behalf, well does it become this General Assembly to say to all its charges, and even to pray—Let brotherly love continue.

In many of the Presbyterial Reports, pleasing evidence is given of the presence and power of the Holy Spirit, in an unusual degree, during the year, reviving his

work, and making the word and ordinances more and more effectual to the appointed end. And, as the legitimate fruit of this gracious and always desirable blessing, the attendance upon the means of grace has, in some places, largely increased. Family worship is more generally and fervently observed. Catechetical instructions and the duties of household religion have been more earnestly and faithfully carried on. Large and solemn gatherings of brethren for conference and prayer, have been held. Meetings for prayer in congregations and destitute districts have been greatly multiplied. Sabbath Schools have been organized, not only in well-established churches, and for the children of parents who, as members of the Church, are under most solemn obligations to bring up their children in the nurture and admonition of the Lord, but also in needy places, and with reference to vast numbers who have been, and still are living—especially in our large cities—as if no man cared for their souls. In many of the churches, also, there has been delightful proof of the divine presence. Roots of bitterness have been kept down. Brotherly love has continued. Much has been seen of the spirit that in its anxious yearning and wrestling, seemed to say, as with strong crying and tears it took hold on God,—I will not let thee go, except thou bless me. And almost immediately in connexion with this, many professing Christians have been awakened to new life and zeal in the service of Christ. Pastors and ruling elders have been made to watch more earnestly for souls. The word has been preached with more evidence of an unction from the Holy One, and, as the fruit, many have been pricked in their hearts and led to ask—"What must we do to be saved?" Many have joined themselves to the Lord in an everlasting covenant, and as a matter of special thankfulness, many of the sons of the Church have devoted themselves to the service of God in the gospel of his grace; and, in some instances, young men, well qualified and with warm hearts, have risen up, and in answer to the cry that comes from a loving God and a needy Church, asking in sympathy for the perishing and the lost—"Whom shall we send, and who will go for us?"—they have responded as they laid their talents and persons, and very lives, at the feet of the Saviour—"Here are we: send us."

While, however, all this has been witnessed, and should be mentioned with devout thanksgiving, as marking, in the first year, a church which was barren in religious conference, and largely in answer to fervent, united, and effectual prayer, yet, it must be said, it has not been thus with all. Some congregations, indeed, have established two or four, or even six or eight meetings for prayer—each member of session taking charge of one, or two, or three of them, going together, and the pastor alternating as he had opportunity, and doing what he could in them all: but in others, singular though it may seem, there has been reported to us scarcely a single meeting for prayer, at least none but those immediately connected with the Church. Some pastors have not only carried on the regular services of the sanctuary, but have also itinerated over the entire district in their bounds, preaching in school-houses, warehouses, barns, and wherever and whenever perishing souls could be gathered together, and have found that such labour is not in vain in the Lord; but others, attending merely upon the ordinary round of appointed duty, have seen little more than that things continued as they were. Many individuals, too, deeply feeling the obligations that rested on them in reference to the children that God had given them, and concerning whom they have entered into most solemn baptismal vows, have laboured to cultivate family religion, regularly attended to family worship, taught their children the Scriptures, and Catechisms, and Standards of the Church, and, while they availed themselves of the ministry, and the Sabbath School, and every proper means of instruction, as helpers in the great work, yet they most earnestly sought to watch for their children's souls themselves; and, in many instances, have had their reward in seeing their households with them in the covenant, and at the table of the Lord. But others, less impressed with a sense of personal responsibility, and more willing to leave to others what God and his Church have devolved upon them, have neglected family duties, taken little interest in the thorough spiritual training of their children, and thus have been made to see their households grow up coldly averse to religious things, or sadly ready to be carried about by every wind of doctrine and cunning craftiness of men, whereby they lie in wait to deceive. Over every such case and course, there should be an earnest and godly mourning; and from it every member of this United Church should, at once and for ever, turn away, saying, with the whole heart, and as in the presence of God, and in full view of the judgment and the great white throne, "As for me and mine house, we will serve the Lord."

In conclusion, your Committee beg leave to say, the reports before us have af-

feetingly and solemnly reminded us that the "time is short," and that, what our hands find to do, should be done with our might. Seven brethren, viz.: Joseph Banks, Thomas Gilkerson, A. Lowman, William Pringle, Jas. P. McArthur, Jas. Laing and A. P. Bell, have laid aside, during the year, the ministerial armour in which they were girded, wholly or in part, and have entered into rest. They died at their posts, and with the harness on. They rest from their labours, and their works do follow them. But let fathers and brethren with whom they have taken sweet counsel, and often walked and worked on the high places of the field, be admonished and incited, more and more, to work while it is called to-day—*for the night cometh!* Let the elders, which are in the midst of the church, be exhorted to "feed the flock of God, taking the oversight thereof, not by constraint, but willingly; not for filthy lucre, but of a ready mind; neither as being lords over God's heritage, but as ensamples to the flock: and when the Chief Shepherd shall appear, they shall receive a crown of glory that fadeth not away." Let parents watch for the souls of their children, training them up in the way they should go, and seeking to root and establish them in the truth; in the love and the power of it, that thus their sons may be as plants grown up in their youth, and their daughters as corner-stones, polished after the similitude of a palace; and thus God, even our own God, may ever have a seed to serve him. In one word, encouraged and admonished by the past, cheered with the present, and animated with well-founded and joyous hope of a useful and honoured future; as a branch of the Church of the living God, let ministers, elders, and people, be roused to go forward in the work and way of the Lord, seeking the outpourings from on high, and indwelling in every heart of the Holy Ghost; holding fast and holding forth the truth as it is in Jesus; forbearing one another in love, and growing in grace and in the knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. Then shall we be a blessing, and made a blessing indeed; and then shall this United Presbyterian Church be a light in the world—her people a holy and peculiar people, zealous of good works—her walls salvation—her gates praise. And the name of the city shall be JEHOVAH SHAMMAH—*the Lord is there.* J. B. DALES, *Chairman.*

Report of the Committee on Foreign Missions.

The action of the Assembly, in Committee of the whole, in relation to the subject of Foreign Missions, has happily anticipated your Committee in the recommendations which, otherwise, they would, most probably, have been disposed to present to the Assembly.

As the Assembly have adopted a resolution of the Committee of the whole to increase the missionary force in Egypt and in India, and also, to establish a mission to Africa and China, your Committee would unanimously recommend to the Assembly to send out, in all cases, not less than two missionaries for each station.

In relation to the mission in Syria, it does not appear to your Committee that an increase in the missionary force there is, at present, called for. As it relates to the mission in Alexandria, your Committee are happy to learn that the services of a Mr. Hogg, who is now on the field, and who expects shortly to be ordained by the United Presbyterian Church of Scotland, and who has been highly recommended by our missionaries there, can be obtained as a co-labourer with them in the work in which they are engaged, and it is the judgment of your Committee that the offer which he has made should be accepted by the Assembly, and his standing as a missionary of this Church be recognised so soon as he is able to place himself under the care of the Board of Foreign Missions, and it is accordingly recommended. As it respects the proposed mission to China, your Committee are prepared to recommend to the Assembly the appointment of two missionaries by this Assembly, to proceed to China—the particular locality to be designated by the Board.

The Committee would take the liberty of mentioning the names of two persons whom, from the information received, they regard as peculiarly qualified for this important post. These are Mr. Jos. C. Nevin, and Mr. S. C. Ewing.

As it respects the mission to Africa, your Committee are unable to specify any thing very definite. It is gratifying, however, to know, from a memorial referred to your Committee, that a Mr. Hugh Elliott, of this State, purposes to donate to the Assembly $1000, to be applied to this mission, and they indulge the hope that the example of liberality which this brother has set, will be followed by many others throughout the Church, and that when the friends of Africa are thus manifesting a disposition to consecrate their property to the Lord, in this service, there

will not be wanting those who will be willing to respond to the call for labourers, which the Church now makes:—"Here am I—send me."

As it respects the India mission, your Committee are of the opinion that this Assembly should proceed to the election of two individuals to go to Sealkote with the view of their co-operating with the missionaries at that station, or at any place in that country which to them and the Board may be deemed most eligible and desirable.

Your Committee would recommend in relation to Trinidad, that Mr. Brown, who is labouring there, be commended to the cordial support of the United Church.

Your Committee would recommend this Assembly, in accordance with the suggestion of the Board of Foreign Missions of the Associate Synod, to authorize the Board of Foreign Missions to appropriate $600 to defray the expenses of a lay brother to Sealkote, with a view to his rendering service to the mission there, as an assistant, it being understood that he is not to receive any regular salary from the Church.

The Committee would also recommend that the appropriation of $100 made by the Board of Foreign Missions of the Associate Synod be approved by this Assembly

Your Committee would propose the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the recommendations in this Report be adopted.

*Report of Allegheny Presbytery.**

To the General Assembly of the United Presbyterian Church, to meet in Xenia, May 18th, 1859, the Presbytery of Allegheny reports:—

This Presbytery was organized on the 11th day of last November, under the direction of the First Synod, after having been constituted with prayer by Rev. Dr. Pressly. This Presbytery contains fourteen ordained ministers.

On the 21st of December, Mr. James Haggerty, a licentiate of the A. R. Presbytery of Allegheny, was ordained, and installed pastor of the Congregation of Hanover. Mr. Marcus Ormond has accepted a call to Hookstown and Tumbleson's Run, and will, we expect, be ordained and installed at an early day. A call has been made by King's Creek on Mr. Wm. A. M'Connel, and is now in the hand of Mansfield Presbytery for presentation. At our last meeting, April 13th, Messrs. W. M. Jamieson and S. C. Ewing were licensed to preach the gospel, and have been supplying our vacant Congregations.

Rev. Dr. Rodgers, since his visit to the west last fall, under the appointment of the Associate Synod, has been unable to exercise any part of his public ministry. His disease is in his respiratory organs, and effectually deprives him of the power of public speaking, and to a great extent, of conversation. His congregation has been supplied with preaching by the kindness of brethren in several Presbyteries, and licensed students of Theology. What may be the issue in the case of our afflicted brother, we cannot anticipate, but do not expect to enjoy his aid in the ministerial work for *some* time; we fondly hope that it may *not* be a *long* time.

There has been an increased attention to some, at least, of the ordinances of grace. Prayer-meetings, union meetings for prayer and conference, and Sabbath-school efforts have, undoubtedly, been on the increase during the past year. Considerable additions have been made to our congregations, in the number professing their faith in Christ. Ministerial zeal in preaching the word in season, out of season, has probably been greater than formerly; yet, with all these advantages, wickedness has been stalking abroad in open day, as if it knew no shame. Intemperance, particularly, has been increasing, because the facilities for its increase have multiplied. There may be more attention to the forms of religion with the multitude (and this is some gain) than there has been for some time past, still it is a matter for sorrow that vital piety does not give that evidence of its existence and growth, that tends to fill our hearts with joy and thanksgiving. If we would enjoy a full harvest, we need still to pray for the former and latter rain. Our congregations appear to be flourishing, but there is, all around us, a wide field for missionary labours, with some good prospects of success. Multitudes are accessible, if we were able to avail ourselves of the opportunity. The United Church has, in every place, an open door, and we do not think that there is any peculiarity with us.

Hoping that this, your first General Assembly, may be guided by the Spirit of all wisdom, and that we may be all *perfectly* joined together as a band of brothers, to work for the building of Christ's kingdom, our Presbytery most cordially declare themselves ready to co-operate with their brethren in any lawful measures that may be adopted for sustaining and spreading the gospel in our own land, and sending it abroad to the nations of the earth yet destitute of it. By order of Presbytery.

D. H. A. M'Lean, *Clerk.*

* Overlooked by the printer.

STATISTICS OF THE UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF NORTH AMERICA, FOR 1858, 1859.

MINISTERS AND LICENTIATES.	CONGREGATIONS.	NEAREST POST-OFFICE.	COUNTY.	STATE.	Number of		Baptisms.		Increase.		Decrease.		CONTRIBUTIONS.				
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SYNOD OF NEW YORK.																	
Presbytery of Albany.																	
P. Bullions, D.D.	Troy	Troy	Renssalaer	N.Y.	35	80	5	....	9	....	....	10	51 00	47 43	61 58	160 01	2 00
S. F. Morrow	Albany	Albany	Albany	do	110	270	23	....	13	9	3	13	80 00	88 25	36 00	204 25	75
G. M. Hall	Florida	Hoffman's Ferry	Schenectady	do	70	179	14	4	16	....	3	1	30 00	37 00	27 96	94 96	53
Wm. J. Cleland	Delhi	Croton	Delaware	do	60	130	6	....	12	4	5	4	23 38	21 90	.....	45 28	36
D. S. McHenry,	York & Covingt'n	Peoria	Wyoming	do	36	78	8	....	3	....	....	1	15 00	25 31	15 75	56 06	72
J. B. Lee	Bovina	Brushland	Delaware	do	180	270	15	5	26	4	3	6	134 00	36 00	79 00	249 00	92
Andrew Thomas	Johnstown	Johnstown	Fulton	do	22	62	3	....	11	....	....	....	11 41	12 00	.....	23 41	38
R. D. Williamson	Lansingville	Hamden	Delaware	do	29	60	1	....	1	6	....	....	21 00	7 75	3 50	32 25	51
Without Charge.																	
D. Strang	*Vacancy.*	Knoxville	Blount	Tenn.													
	New Kingston	New Kingston	Delaware	N.Y.	32	62	7	....	3	34	1	2	21 75	.....	5 33	27 08	44
Presbytery of Boston.																	
Alexander Blaikie	Boston	Boston	.....	Mass.	54	161	14	2	14	13	....	19	7 88	10 00	.....	17 88	11
William Maclaren	Fall River	Fall River	.....	do	112	150	....	....	....	....	....	....	10	7 19	.....	7 29	5
Jno. M. Herron	Thompsonville	Thompsonville	.....	Conn.	68	130	12	....	16	13	3	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Without Charge.																	
Henry Connelly	*Vacancy.*	Newburgh	.....	N.Y.													
	Lawrence	Lawrence	.....	Mass.	28	50	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Presb. of Caledonia.																	
John Van Eaton	York	York	Livingston	N.Y.	109	225	12	....	13	....	4	10	55 00	25 00	165 00	245 00	1 08
D. C. McVean	Lyndon	Franklinville	Cattaraugus	do	56	152	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
W. S. McLaren	Caledonia	Caledonia	Livingston	do	120	179	8	2	9	1	4	2	54 00	118 00	266 00	438 00	2 44
Thos. F. Boyd	Rochester	Rochester	Monroe	do	62	156	22	....	21	6	3	4	.....	15 00	10 00	25 00	16
P. C. Robertson	Howard	Buena Vista	Steuben	do	33	43	8	....	....	....	1	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
F. M. Proctor	Cuylerville	Cuylerville	Livingston	do	50	33	....	....	....	1	....	2	.....	.....	14 00	14 00	42
Licentiates.																	
P. D. McNab	*Vacancies.*																
Wm. Currie	Beulah	Mumford	Monroe	do	56	86	7	....	....	1	2	2	20 00	20 00	.....	40 00	46
Without Charge.	Geneva	Geneva	Ontario	do	24	37	....	....	....	2	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
D. C. McLaren, D. D.	Sterling	Sterling	Cayuga	do	35	50	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
David Currie	Seneca	Geneva	Ontario	do	92	174	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....

Presb. of Cambridge.																	
C. Webster	Queensbury	Glenn's Falls	Warren	N.Y.	26	56	3	....	7	....	....	4	14 58	5 07	5 85	25 50	45
Isaac Law	Putnam	Putnam	Washington	do	56	100	3	....	....	....	....	....	44 25	26 00	68 81	139 06	1 39
W. E. Henning	North Argyle	North Argyle	do	do	90	180	12	....	14	....	....	12	66 00	50 00	172 68	288 68	1 60
Wm. Hawthorne	Hinchinbrook / Hemmingsford	Moore's P. O.	Clinton / do	do	45 / 20	95 / 40	16 / 3	.... /	8 / 1	.... /	.... /	3 / 3	10 75 / 8 00	17 00 / 10 00	..... /	27 75 / 18 00	29 / 45
H. Brown	Salem	Shushan	Washington	do	37	73	2	....	6	....	....	2	20 00	8 30	.....	28 30	38
Henry Gordon	Cambridge	Coila	do	do	81	170	19	....	21	....	....	2	10 00	43 50	.....	53 50	31
James A. Duff	South Argyle	South Argyle	do	do	100	251	25	....	21	....	....	13	63 60	73 15	35 62	172 37	67
J. B. Dunn	E. Greenwich	East Greenwich	do	do	50	110	6	....	8	....	....	4	30 50	40 00	20 25	90 75	82
Without Charge.																	
P. Campbell	*Vacancies.*																
John G. Smart	Hebron	West Hebron	do	do	73	156	....	....	..	....	....	....	31 80	44 12	25 17	101 09	61
James Law	1st Cambridge	Coila	do	do	10	40	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
John Harsha																	
Presb. of New York.																	
H. H Blair	Charles street	New York	New York	N. Y.	261	704	53	....	66	....	....	45	400 00	330 00	120 00	850 00	1 21
James Harper	2nd Cong. N. Y.	do	do	do	130	245	14	...	22	....	....	27	152 50	200 18	.....	352 68	1 44
James Thompson	West 25th St. N.Y.	do	do	do	85	168	8	....	42	....	....	24	68 00	53 25	42 00	163 25	97
S. F. Farmer	Williamsburgh	Brooklyn, (E. D.)	do	do	57	132	21	....	33	....	....	7	26 00	16 00	.....	42 00	31
W. G. M'Elhany	Hoboken	Hoboken	Hudson	N. J.	20	36	....	....	....	....	....	....	30 50	.....	.....	30 50	84
Hugh W. Todd	Patterson	Patterson	Passaic	do	82	98	10	....	30	....	....	4	....	.....	.....	.....	.....
James Williamson	Sutton	Wilkinsonville	Worcester	Mass.	46	107	13	....	18	....	....	5	30 00	.....	.....	30 00	28
James B. Whitten	7th Cong. N. Y.	New York	New York	N. Y.	58	118	10	....	35	....	....	5	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
David Donnan	2nd Cong. Newark	Newark		N. J.	35	80	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
D. J. Patterson	2nd Cong. Broo'ln	Brooklyn	do	N. Y.	60	130	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Licentiate.																	
Duncan C. Niven	*Vacancies.*																
	6th Cong. N. Y.	New York	do	do	31	89	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Without Charge.	Providence	Providence		R. I.	42	96	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
James Dinsmore		Lawrence		Mass.	.....	.....	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
William Melvin		Providence		R. I.	.....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....

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Pres. of Phila. (Asso.)																	
Wm. Easton	Octorara	Smyrna	Lancaster	Pa.	36	83	....	....	....	....	....	....	$25 00	$20.00	$16.00	$61.00	73
	Muddy Run	do	do	do	8	25	....	....	....	....	....	....	10·00	5.75	.....	15·75	63
J. T. Cooper, D.D.	3d Cong. Phila.	Kensington	Philadelphia	do	105	248	11	....	39	....	....	19	98.26	78.00	43.19	219·45	88
Francis Church	1st Cong. Phila.	Philadelphia	do	do	183	286	24	....	37	....	....	11	100.00	59.63	25·00	184·63	64
T. H. Beveridge	6th Cong. Phila.	Philadelphia	Philadelphia	do	51	87	5	....	19	....	....	8	19·25	58.67	41.50	119·42	1.36
J. H. Andrew	Oxford	Oxford	Chester	do	41	100	9	....	13	....	....	3	20.00	35.00	11.75	66.75	66
Wm. Bruce	Baltimore	Baltimore	Baltimore	Md.	40	102	6	....	11	....	....	10	144.75	171·75	116.17	432.67	4·24
James Price	7th Cong. Phila.	Frankford	Philadelphia	Pa.	28	40	6	....	13	....	....	11	25.00	9.00	3.20	37.20	93
Without Charge.	*Vacancy.*																
David Thompson.	Shippen Street.	Philadelphia	do	do	45	100	....	....	....	....	....	....	18.00	4.00	.....	22.00	22
Pres. of Phila. (Asso. Ref.)																	
J. B. Dales, D. D.	2d Cong. Philada.	Philadelphia	Philadelphia	do	230	708	43	1	58	26	10	28	118·00	238.00	236.00	502.00	83
Robert Armstrong	5th " "	do	do	do	115	260	22	....	22	15	3	16	104.71	10.00	202 49	317.20	1·20
George C. Arnold.	4th " "	do	do	do	100	233	20	....	18	7	2	14	29.00	33.00	123.00	185.00	80
	Vacancy.																
	Pottsville.	Pottsville	Schuylkill	do	21	44	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Pres. of Saratoga.																	
John Erskine	North Kortright	North Kortright	Delaware	N. Y.	68	128	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
John Rippey	West Kortright	West Kortright	do	do	70	120	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Joseph L. Clark	Broadalbin	Perth Centre	Fulton	do	82	166	3	....	10	....	....	8	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Addison Henry	West Charlton	West Charlton	Saratoga	do	67	152	8	....	22	....	....	6	24.27	22.66	.....	46.93	31
Without Charge.	*Vacancies.*																
Robert Proudfit	Burlington	Burlington Green	Otsego	do	40	100	....	....	....	....	....	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
W. C. Somers	Hobart	Hobart	Delaware	do	50	60	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Licentiate.	Middletown,	New Kingston	do	do	30	40	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
John Edgar	East Springfield	East Springfield	do	do	25	45	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
	Andes, Cabin Hill	Andes	do	do	90	204	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Pres. of Stamford																	
John Gillespie	Esquesing	Milton	Halton	C. W.	38	70	3	....	2	....	....	....	15.85	18.20	8.75	42.80	61

Robt. M'Allister	Port Robinson	Port Robinson	Welland	do	23	47	2	....	3	....	....	4	12.06	.....	5.00	17.06	36
	Merrittville	do	do	do	5	11	....	....	....	....	....	....	4.50	.....	.....	4.50	41
D. H. Goodwillie	Stamford	Stamford	do	do	29	66	3	1	7	....	2	4	13.00	8.00	7.50	28.50	43
J. B. Wilson	London	Telfer	Middlesex	do	18	44	3	....	2	2	....	4	8.58	9.22	6.26	24.06	54
	Komoka	do	do	do	5	11	....	....	....	....	....	2	3.08	.....	.....	3.08	28
Robt. Acheson	Dumfries	Galt	Waterloo	do	120	250	15	....	11	6	7	....	100.00	....	60.50	160.50	64
	Vacancies.																
	London	London	Middlesex	do	4	8	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.. ...	.....
	Morrisdale	Morrisdale	Huron	do	10	15	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Presb. of Vermont.																	
Thos. Goodwillie	Barnet	Barnet	Caledonia	Vt.	80	170	8	....	4	....	4	....	25.93	70.24	13.36	109.53	64
Gawn Campbell	Greensboro'	Greensboro'	Orleans	do	45	75	7	1	6	....	1	....	9.00	11.00	12.00	32.00	42
	Vacancies																
	Ryegate	Ryegate	Caledonia	do	34	82	6	....	4	....	1	....	.....	14.00	5.76	19.76	24
	Barnet	Barnet	do	do	32	74	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Pres. of Wash'ton.																	
James B. Scouller	Argyle	Argyle	Washington	N.Y.	226	468	30	5	26	10	17	23	105.00	124.00	37.00	266.00	56
Wm. B. Shortt	Cambridge	Cambridge	do	do	46	84	3	2	4	3	....	....	25.00	25.00	.....	50.00	59
Jas. C. Forsythe	Salem	Salem	do	do	130	180	3	2	16	5	6	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
G. H. Robertson	Hebron	West Hebron	do	do	117	219	17	4	26	24	3	4	28.00	43.00	25.00	96.00	44
John Harper	Lisbon	Lisbon Centre		do	65	136	....	....	9	2	5	....	.....	43.00	.....	43.00	31
Missionary.																	
John Crawford		Damascus, Syria			.....	.....	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Without charge.																	
George Mairs		Argyle	Washington	do	.....	.....	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
James Macauley		Ogdensburgh		do	.....	.....	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
William Howden		West Aurora		do	.....	.....	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Licentiate																	
Wm. J. Robinson		Argyle	Washington	do	.....	.....	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
I SYN. OF THE WEST																	
Pres. of Big Spring																	
James Shields	Fermanah	Mexico	Juniata	Pa	26	56	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
	Tuscarora	do	do	do	36	87	.. .	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Joseph McKee	Petersburgh	Port Royal	do	do	10	27	....	....	....	....	....	....	9.00	.....	.....	9.00	33
	Carlisle	do	do	do	8	14	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	15.00	.....	15.00	107
	Middle Ridge	do	do	do	5	9	....	....	....	....	....	....	6.00	.....	.....	6.00	66
F. M'Burney	Guinston	Chancelford	York	do	46	114	1	....	12	....	....	8	25.00	25.00	30.76	80.76	70
	Low Chancelford	do	do	do	11	32	3	....	5	....	....	3	5.00	5.00	.....	10.00	31

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Jas. Bruce	Mercersburg	Mercersburg	Franklin	Penn.	8	30	....	....	....	....	....	....	30 00	30 00	15 00	75 00	2 50
	Cove	do	do	do	8	20	....	....	...	....	....	....	15 00	15 00	10 00	40 00	2 00
William McElwee	Chambersburgh	Gettysburgh		do	10	20	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
	Gettysburgh	do		do	12	30	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
J. M. Adair	Stone Valley	M'Alevy's Fort	Huntingdon	do	40	92	3	....	3	....	2	6	16 68	18 00	.....	34 68	37
D. B. Jones (S. S.) *Without Charge.*	Concord	Concord		do	21	55	4	....	4	....	....	....	8 00	10 00	.....	18 00	33
John Adams	" *Vacancies.*																
Wm. Carlisle	Big Spring	Newville	Cumberland	do	75	150	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
J. G. Austin	Chanceford	Lower Chanceford	York	do	15	38	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Joseph Boyd	Hopewell	Hopewell	do	do	20	42	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Isaiah Faries	Reedville	Kishacoquillas	Mifflin	do	12	21	1	....	3	....	....	2	7 00	.....	.....	7 00	33
	Huntingdon	Huntingdon	Huntingdon	do	8	20	1	....	....	....	....	1	4 00	.....	.....	4 00	20
	Bealsburg	Bealsburg	Centre	do	6	11	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Presbytery of Butler																	
Isaiah Niblock, D. D.	Butler	Butler	Butler	do	103	297	7	1	14	....	2	5	.....	49 00	25 00	74 00	25
W. Galbraith	Freeport	Freeport	Armstrong	do	39	100	13	1	8	2	....	....	50 00	27 77	7 00	84 77	85
	Buffalo	do	do	do	18	34	....	....	...	....	....	....	.....	.....	3 00	3 00	9
W. P. Breaden	Sunbury	Coultersville		do	75	170	21	1	13	3	2	3	28 00	18 00	17 50	63 50	37
J. N. Dick	Kittaning	Kittaning	do	do	69	134	10	1	12	4	1	5	20 00	50 00	14 00	84 00	62
S. Kerr	Harmony	Harrisville	Butler	do	82	172	20	1	15	7	....	....	.....	.....	10 00	10 00	6
W. Smith	Rich Hill	Cowansville	Armstrong	do	35	80	4	....	1	1	....	....	21 00	.....	.....	21 00	26
A. R. Rankin	Slippery Rock	Plaingrove	Butler	do	38	99	12	5	18	9	2	....	22 38	78 62	12 50	113 50	1 15
W. H. Jamison	White Oak Springs	Petersburgh	do	do	66	160	17	6	28	10	3	....	30 00	20 00	17 00	67 00	42
	Evansburgh	do	do	do	37	93	10	3	15	2	....	4	10 00	17 70	7 70	35 40	38
J. Jamison	Freeport	Freeport	Armstrong	do	26	46	10	3	15	2	....	4	4 00	3 00	5 50	12 50	27
	Union	Saxonburgh	do	do	43	89	2	....	....	1	....	....	16 00	8 00	10 00	34 00	38
	Worthington	do	do	do	19	48	7	....	8	5	....	10	8 63	3 05	3 50	15 18	31
James A. Clark	Prospect	Prospect	Lawrence	do	80	158	12	3	17	8	3	3	5 00	5 00	14 00	24 00	15
	Mt. Chestnut			do	9	20	....	....	....	....	....		.....	....	.....	.....	.....
A. Irons	Portersville	Portersville	Butler	do	43	88	16	4	13	4	2	11	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
	Mountville	do	do	do	41	90	6	....	12	3	1	2	8 00	8 00	12 80	28 80	32
	Vacancies.																
	Varnum		do	do	24	55	11	....	4	....	....	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
	Scotch Hill	Harrisville	do	do	21	50	4	....	2	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....

	Unity		Butler	Pa.	48	86	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
	Clintonville	Clintonville	Venango	do	21	45	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
	Unity	Anderson's Mills	do	do	48	94	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
	Fairview	Baldwin		do	70	172	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Presb. of Chartiers.																	
Thos. Hanna, D. D.	Washington	Washington	Washington	do	65	140	....	....	....	....	....	....	50 00	13 00	20 00	83 00	59
B. Boyd	Pigeon Creek	Strabane	do	do	63	158	5	....	11	....	....	3	32 31	32 31	5 59	70 21	44
W. M. M'Elwee, D. D.	Frankfort	Frankfort Springs	Beaver	do	53	136	13	....	....	....	....	12	21 00	21 00	.....	42 00	32
Samuel Taggart	W. Middletown	W. Middletown	Washington	do	71	165	2	....	19	....	....	29	36 00	39 00	.....	75 00	45
James C. Campbell	Paris	Paris	do	do	65	170	10	....	21	....	1	5	10 00	15 00	12 00	37 00	21
John T. Brownlee	Mount Hope	W. Middletown	do	do	35	95	8	....	16	....	2	6	10 75	10 00	10 00	30 75	32
Jas. G. Rankin	Robinson	Bavington	do	do	68	184	4	...	30	....	....	....	40 00	46 50	11 25	97 75	53
Jos. R. Thompson	Mount Pleasant	Hickory	do	do	78	197	24	....	25	....	....	18	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
J. B. Clark	Chartiers	Canonsburgh	do	do	125	332	18	....	34	....	....	42	105 00	83 00	27 50	215 50	65
Jas. G. Carson	South Buffalo	Claysville	do	do	42	104	7	....	9	....	....	9	45 00	43 10	18 00	106 00	1 01
W. M'C. Gibson	North Buffalo	Taylorstown	do	do	56	122	4	....	17	....	....	14	45 00	20 55	121 61	187 16	1 53
Without Charge.																	
A. Dounan	*Vacancies.*																
Jas. C. Herron	Venice	Venice	do	do	40	92	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Licentiates.	Burgettstown	Burgettstown	do	do	41	107	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....
J. Forsythe	Chartier's X Roads	Locust Hill	do	do	70	145	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
W. W. Barr	Mt. Vernon				6	15	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
W. W. Templeton	Centre	Egypt	do	do	15	30	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
A. R. Anderson	Heads of Wheeling	Taylorstown	do	do	22	42	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
W. L. Wilson	Cross Creek	Wellsburgh	Brooke	Va.	18	40	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
S. M. L. Kier																	
Robert Gilmore																	
E. A. Brownlee																	
James Sawhill																	
J. N. White																	
D. H. French																	
Presb. of Conemaugh.																	
David Blair	Indiana	Indiana	Indiana	Pa.	77	225	9	2	25	6	....	....	77 50	77 50	.....	155 00	69
Sam'l Anderson	Union	West Lebanon	do	do	80	182	19	....	19	4	3	2	44 00	40 00	.....	84 00	46
	Olivet	Olivet		do	40	103	12	....	9	1	....	7	8 00	10 00	5 00	23 00	22
M. H. Wilson	Jacksonville	Kent		do	60	161	20	6	18	17	5	8	7 50	7 50	13 00	28 00	17
	Crete	Indiana	do	do	29	63	14	....	6	3	2	4	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....

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Wm. Conner	Blairsville	Blairsville	Indiana	Pa.	56	97	....	....	15	14	2	....	$20 90	15 00	.....	$35 90	37
	Conemaugh	Saltsburg	do	do	42	102	8	....	7	10	....	....	14 34	.....	5 00	19 34	19
H. Q. Graham	Bethel	New Florence	Westmoreland	do	95	211	14	9	30	2	4	4	20 00	10 00	12 00	42 00	19
	Fairfield	Fairfield	do	do	50	105	8	1	7	8	....	3	20 00	10 00	10 00	40 00	38
J. C. Greer	Mechanicsburg	Brushvalley	Indiana	do	35	78	5	5	12	5	4	....	.....	.....	8 00	8 00	10
	Centre	Homer	do	do	32	83	6	6	7	1	2	....	.....	.....	8 00	8 00	9
Byron Porter	Shelocta	Shelocta	do	do	46	113	16	2	12	10	1	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
	Elderton	Elderton	do	do	40	62	23	8	6	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Sam'l Brown	Plum Creek	Willett	do	do	45	115	8		1	12	1	2	4 00	4 00	2 73	10 73	9
	Smyrna	Home	do	do	37	67	2	2	3	....	....	2	4 00	3 30	2 50	9 80	14
Jas. L. Purdy	Susquehanna	Horton	do	do	12	30	2	....	2	....	1	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
	Clearfield	Lumber City	Clearfield	do	13	36	3	....	3	....	1	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
	Pine Grove	Hillsdale	Indiana	do	15	31	6	....	1	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
	Taylorsville	Utah	do	do	17	39	2	....	10	4	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Jno. C. Telford	Mahoning	Plumville	do	do	45	120	10	....	6	6	....	....	8 00	8 00	.....	16 00	13
	Beracha	do	do	do	20	40	4	....	4	2	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
John Todd	Beaver Run	Brookville	Jefferson	do	30	61	5	1	5	3	....	....	4 22	4 08	.....	8 30	13
	Upper Piney	do	do	do	13	23	3	....	....	2	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
D. K. Duff	Glade Run	Dayton	Armstrong	do	18	50	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Without Charge	Lower Piney	Pine Township	do	do	23	60	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
A. Miller	Perrysville	Perrysville	Jefferson	do	9	20	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
					.....	.....	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Licentiate	*Vacancies*				.....	.....	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
J. McCartney	Brookville	Brookville	do	do	33	53	3	....	1	4	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
	Jefferson	Jefferson	do	do	9	22	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
	Beech Woods	Warsaw		do	9	23	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
	Licking			do	17	34	....	....	2	....	....	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
	Saltsburg	Saltsburg	Indiana	do	19	34	....	....	3	2	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
	Apollo	Apollo	Armstrong	do	13	28	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
	Union (East)	Armagh		do	20	50	5	....	5	3	....	....	.....	.....	3 00	3 00	6
	Greenville	Greenville		do	10	25	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
	Beattie's Station	Decker's P. O.		do	10	30	....	....	7	23	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
	Putneyville	Putneyville		do	15	35	....	....	6	4	....	....	1 00	50	.....	1 50	4

	Concord	Rural Village	Armstrong	do	35	65	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
	Mount Carmel	Punxetawney	Jefferson	do	4	9	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
	Mahoning Station		Indiana	do	6	15	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
	Thompson's		Clarion	do	7	19	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Presby. of the Lake.																	
M Snodgrass	Fairfield	Custards	Crawford	do	35	80	10	....	....	1	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Joseph H. Pressly	Erie	Erie	Erie	do	66	154	13	....	7	4	1	4	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
H. H. Thompson	Cochranton	Cochranton	Crawford	do	76	146	24	1	25	13	3	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
	Meadville	Meadville	do	do	23	36	2	....	2	2	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Clark Kendall	Buffalo	Buffalo	Erie	N. Y.	117	251	25	1	25	...	3	13	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
H. H. Hervey	Hartstown	Hartstown	Crawford	Pa.	50	104	2	1	9	1	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
	N. Shenango	do	do	do	42	111	8	1	11	6	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Wm. Bruce	Adamsville	Adamsville	do	do	52	115	7	....	4	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
	Conneautville	do	do	do	26	48	....	....	8	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Thos. Love	Waterford	Waterford	Erie	do	73	187	13	4	20	6	1	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
	McKean	do	do	do	14	26	2	....	....	....	...	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
James Burroughs	Georgetown	Shakeleyville	Crawford	do	28	57	8	....	4	1	....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
	N. Vernon	do	do	do	26	44	2	2	5	2	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
	Sandy Creek	do	do	do	42	94	10	....	8	2	2	5	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Jos. A. Collins	Shenango	Hartstown	Crawford	do	93	205	20	2	26	8	2	5	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Alex. Murray	Oakland	Cherry Tree	Venango	do	15	32	1	....	3	....	1	4	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
	Kerr's Ridge	do	do	do	15	33	2	....	10	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
	Vacancies																
	Cherry Run	Plummer	do	do	28	60	9	....	6	....	....	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Thos. J. Kennedy	Jamestown	Jamestown	Mercer	do	50	90	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Pastor elect	Kinsman	do	do	do	20	40	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
	Conneautville	Conneautville	Crawford	do	13	23	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Without Charge.	Allegheny	Perry	do	do	4	8	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Jos. McClintock	Cooperstown	Cooperstown	do	do	9	20	.. .	....	....	20	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
	Beaver Dam	Wayne	Erie	do	8	15	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
	Utica				15	26	....	....	....	26	....	...	.....	.....	.....	.....	....
Presby. of Mansfield.																	
Sam. Irvine, D.D.	Salt Creek	Fredericksburg	Wayne	O.	54	124	5	....	8	....	....	12	17 50	15 00	10 00	42 50	34
Richard Gailey	Troy	Hastings	Richland	do	32	56	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....
	Monroe	do	do	do	30	59	....	....	....	....	....	....	10 00	10 00	14 00	34 00	22
	Pine Run	do	do	do	20	35	....	....	....	....	....	....	... ..	.....	.....	.....	.....
R. G. Thompson	Plymouth	De Kalb	Crawford	do	30	51	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	5 00	6 00	11 00	21
	De Kalb	do	do	do	21	35	....	....	....	....	....	....	8 00	8 00	.....	16 00	45

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J. Y. Ashenhust	Haysville	Haysville	Ashland	O.	40	80	6	....	6	14	....	10	20 00	20 00	8 40	48 40	60
	Savannah	Savannah	do	do	32	68	6	....	13	....	....	....	13 00	10 83	.....	23 83	35
D. W. Collins	Ontario	Mansfield	Richland	do	44	90	5	....	4	18	3	....	10 00	24 30	.....	34 30	38
D. Paul	Mansfield	do	do	do	50	124	4	1	5	7	3	9	.....	32 00	14 00	46 00	37
Jno. P. Scott	Millersburgh	Millersburgh	Holmes	do	44	91	5	1	8	....	2	2	27 62	1 50	2 75	31 87	35
	Nashville	do	do	do	10	17	....	....	....	....	....	....	2 00	2 50	.....	4 50	27
W. H. French	No. Washington	Iberia	Morrow	do	39	80	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....
J. W. M'Farland	Wooster	Wooster	Wayne	do	43	94	2	....	14	15	....	8	34 50	60 25	.....	94 75	1 00
A. McCartney	Dalton	Dalton	do	do	31	67	14	....	7	3	3	....	10 00	20 00	.....	30 00	44
Licentiates.	*Vacancies.*																
J. C. Truesdale	Sulphur Springs	Mount Gilead	Morrow	do	13	26	....	....	4	....	....	....	4 00	.....	.....	4 00	15
W. A. M'Connell	Alum Creek		Delaware	do	7	14	1	....	1	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....
S. M. Hutchinson	Chesterville	Chesterville	Knox	do	14	25	2	....	11	....	1	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....
Without Charge.	Ashland	Ashland	Ashland	do	9	18	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....
Jno. L. M'Lean	Keene	Keene	Coshocton	do	25	42	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....
	Mill Creek	do	do	do	30	60	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....
	White Eyes	do	do	do	15	25	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....
	Mount Vernon	Mount Vernon	Knox	do	30	96	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....
	Savannah 2d	Savannah	Ashland	do	22	57	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....
	Martinsburgh	Martinsburgh	Knox	do	22	57	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....
	Utica	Utica	Licking	do	10	24	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....
	Alexandria	Alexandria	do	do	10	24	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....
Presb. of Allegheny.																	
John T. Pressly, D. D.	1st Ch., Allegheny	Allegheny City	Allegheny	Pa.	212	583	53	3	26	32	5	18	375 00	745 00	45 00	1165 00	2 00
James Rodgers, D. D.	2d do do	do	do	do	235	505	....	....	....	....	....	....	320 00	325 00	175 00	820 00	1 62
John C. Steele	Manchester	West Manchester	do	do	47	110	12	1	15	11	1	10	.....	.....	14 00	14 00	12
A. G. Shafer	Deer Creek	Rural Ridge	do	do	100	250	30	3	23	4	6	8	30 00	43 00	37 00	110 00	44
B. F. Sawyer	Darlington	Darlington	Beaver	do	53	131	7	....	5	2	1	6	7 40	15 00	.....	22 40	17
Josiah Thompson	Clinton	Clinton	Allegheny	do	52	113	2	....	1	1	....	1	19 00	5 00	62 75	86 75	77
J. L. Fairley	Mount Nebo	Courtneyville	do	do	44	120	8	....	4	2	2	1	10 00	6 58	15 25	31 83	26
	Reboboth	do	do	do	26	66	6	1	2	2	....	....	.....	.....	7 25	7 25	11
Jno. A. Magill	Beaver	Beaver	Beaver	do	48	114	7	2	31	8	2	1	13 34	13 33	13 33	40 00	35
	Centre	do	do	do	18	30	6	1	4	2	....	....	5 00	1 00	3 00	9 00	30
D. G. Bradford	3d Ch., Allegheny	Allegheny	Allegheny	do	122	282	29	1	46	22	6	26	66 60	67 50	36 00	170 10	67
D. W. Carson	Service	M'Cleary	Beaver	do	70	190	....	....	14	5	8	39	36 64	20 55	10 46	67 65	35

Samuel Patterson	Rocky Spring	Darlington	Beaver	Pa.	40	95	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....
James Hagerty	Hanover	Harshaville	Allegheny	do	57	106	22	4	12	11	2	3	14 00	10 00	47 00	71 00	67
Marcus Ormond	Hookstown	Hookstown	Beaver	do	15	40	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....
	Tumlinson's Run	do	do	do	24	53	....	....	3	3	3	5	.....	.....	.....	.....	....
Without Charge.	*Vacancies.*																
D. H. A. M'Lean, D.D.	Tarentum	Tarentum	Allegheny	do	43	114	13	....	6	13	1	8	.....	.....	24 00	24 00	21
Wm. G. Reed, H. Miss.	Harmersville	Harmersville	do	do	32	64	5	....	6	3	....	17	.....	.....	.....	.....	....
W. L. M'Connell, do	East Union			do	58	130	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....
Licentiates.	West Union			do	28	63	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....
S. R. Ken	Ohio	Scottsville	Beaver	do	50	121	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....
S. C. Ewing	New Brighton	New Brighton	do	do	62	129	....	....	....	....	....	....	8 00	8 00	8 00	24 00	18
J. M. Jamison	Four Mile	do	do	do	30	78	5	....	2	5	2	9	7 82	16 26	5 61	29 69	35
	King's Creek	Frankfort	do	do	10	32	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....
Presbytery of Mercer.																	
John Neil	Mount Jackson	Mount Jackson	Lawrence	do	60	105	12	....	13	....	2	7	.....	.....	8 50	8 50	8
D. R. Imbrie	1st, Wilmington	New Wilmington	do	do	75	180	10	....	....	....	....	....	40 00	30 00	.....	70 00	39
W. A. Mehard	2d, do	do	do	do	51	142	5	....	34	....	3	9	18 00	14 00	6 00	38 00	27
	East Brook	do	do	do	32	64	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....
R. A. Browne	2d, Newcastle	Newcastle	do	do	89	186	14	....	41	....	3	20	16 00	13 00	12 00	41 00	22
Josiah Alexander	Deer Creek	New Bedford	do	do	84	168	20	....	24	....	3	11	.....	68 70	.....	68 70	41
Samuel Alexander	Bethel	Mount Jackson	do	do	74	184	12	....	15	....	2	9	51 44	24 22	.....	75 66	41
Geo. C. Vincent	Lebanon	New Wilmington	do	do	25	67	4	....	8	....	....	5	.....	....	.....	.....	....
Robert M'Watty	Venango Street	Mercer	Mercer	do	82	237	20	...	41	....	2	7	.....	.....	.....	.....	....
D. W. French	Pitt Street	do	do	do	60	152	12	....	24	....	....	7	.....	.....	.....	.....	....
B. K. Ormond	Sharon	Sharon	do	do	19	42	....	....	20	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....
	Clarksville	do	do	do	28	80	15	....	28	....	....	....	.....	11 00	.....	11 00	14
J. Armstrong	Bethel	Worth	do	do	30	77	6	....	8	....	1	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	....
	Beulah	do	do	do	46	98	4	....	10	....	....	10	17 00	15 00	8 00	40 00	41
	Springfield	Mercer	do	do	61	140	21	....	34	....	2	....	9 00	8 74	.....	17 74	12
E. Small	Mineral Ridge	do	do	do	21	46	6	....	7	....	....	1	13 95	.....	.....	13 95	30
	Rocky Spring	do	do	do	40	82	6	....	3	....	5	4	7 73	7 73	.....	15 46	18
W. C. Jackson	West Greenville	West Greenville	do	do	75	205	12	...	11	....	4	3	41 53	15 47	.....	57 00	27
Without Charge.	*Vacancies.*																
J. Patterson, D. D.	Mahoning			do	27	50	2	....	7	....	....	1	8 00	10 50	.....	18 50	37
W. Findley	Harlansburgh			do	18	46	2	....	2	....	....	5	.....	.....	.....	.....	....
J. P. Ramsey	W. R. Harbor			do	17	33	3	....	3	....	....	4	3 00	3 00	3 00	9 00	27
A. M. Black	Centre			do	45	96	17	....	21	....	1	3	14 75	15 00	8 50	38 25	39

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Licentiates.	Shenango			do	35	69	6	....	6	....	1	....	7 00	5 85	6 00	$18 85	27
J. L. Whitla	Delaware Grove			do	22	51	11	....	6	.....	....	6	5 56	.....	.....	5 56	11
W. G. Reed	1st Newcastle			do	40	80	....	....	.....	....	1	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Pres. of Monongahela																	
S. B. Reed	1st Cong. Pittsburg	Pittsburg	Allegheny	Pa.	220	461	32	2	18	7	6	19	237 00	90 00	25 00	352 00	76
James Prestley	2d do do	do	do	do	195	410	29	6	40	26	5	15	250 00	225 00	49 00	524 00	1 27
John G Brown	3d do do	do	do	do	151	327	32	2	40	20	5	19	142 00	231 00	37 00	460 00	1 41
Robert Gracey	4th do do	do	do	do	111	205	15	2	20	20	3	13	30 00	70 00	30 00	130 00	63
James Greer	Robinson's Run	Noblestown	do	do	87	239	15	....	8	8	3	9	76 00	56 00	.....	132 00	55
F. A. Hutchinson	Noblestown	do	do	do	80	161	....	....	4	6	....	5	51 00	40 00	28 00	119 00	74
Wm. H. Andrew	Canonsburg	Canonsburg	Washington	do	101	216	12	....	17	12	1	10	30 00	.....	25 00	55 00	25
A. Y. Houston	Peter's Creek	Library	do	do	109	205	17	5	13	6	5	12	.....	.....	10 00	10 00	4
J. C. Boyd	St. Clair	Woodville	Allegheny	do	92	180	15	1	17	18	4	7	19 00	72 00	25 00	116 00	64
John D. Glenn	Mifflin & Jefferson	Buchanan	do	do	50	115	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
W. M. Coleman	Birmingham	Pittsburg	do	do	67	140	17	....	24	17	3	3	20 00	.....	18 00	38 00	27
Alex. Calhoun	Temperanceville	Rich Valley	do	do	25	50	3	5	9	6	....	....	.....	.....	4 00	4 00	8
	Mansfield	do	do	do	31	72	2	2	11	9	....	....	.....	.....	6 00	6 00	8
John C. Bryson	Mount Gilead	Pittsburg	do	do	52	112	....	....	2	4	....	5	30 00	18 00	14 00	62 00	55
H. K. Lusk	Valley Church	Holton	do	do	40	25	3	....	....	3	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
H. C. McFarland	East Liberty	Wilkin's P. O.	do	do	23	41	1	....	3	6	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
	Hebron	do	do	do	47	100	15	4	5	12	3	3	.....	.....	10 00	10 00	10
	Vacancy.																
Without Charge.	Union*		do	do	110	271	12	....	19	5	4	4	30 00	30 00	60 00	120 00	44
D. R. Kerr, D. D.		Pittsburg	do	do	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
G. K. Ormond		do	do	do	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
John A. Campbell		Mount Lebanon	do	do	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
J. R. Sturgeon		Noblestown	do	do	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Licentiates.	*Students.*																
J. C. Nevin	J. S. M'Connel																
Lafayette Marks	Wm. Claybaugh																
S. C. Ewing	Jas. D. Turner																
	D. M. Ure																
Pres. of Muskingum.																	
William Lorimer	Antrim	Antrim	Guernsey	Ohio	80	166	17	....	17	10	3	23	9 00	10 00	.....	19 00	11

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Hugh Forsythe	Fairview	Fairview	do	do	66	165	8	3	15	9	1	5	.....	28 00	18 00	46 00	22
	Clear Ridge	do	do	do	10	26	1	....	2	....	....	....	2 00	2 00	2 00	6 00	38
E. B. Calderhead	Rush Creek	Rushville		do	24	56	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
	Thornville	do		do	11	20	....	....	..	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
John Comin	Salt Creek	Rix's Mills		do	60	160	10	....	....	3	....	4	16 00	18 00	16 00	50 50	31
	East Union	do		do	58	145	8	....	10	2	3	2	16 00	18 00	16 00	50 00	34
James Duncan	Lebanon	Mantua		do	91	212	6	....	13	7	1	8	35 00	30 00	22 00	87 00	41
	Mount Hermon	do		do	24	46	10	1	9	2	....	3	4 00	4 00	7 50	15 50	32
John Patterson	Londonderry	Londonderry	Guernsey	do	50	132	10	1	9	7	3	9	30 00	30 00	.. ...	60 00	45
James McNeil	Barlow	Barlow		do	55	98	9	....	6	2	....	1	.....	15 00	15 00	30 00	30
	Bethel,	do		do	16	38	1	....	2	2	1	....	.....	5 00	5 00	10 00	26
Randall Ross	Sharon	Sharon		do	30	60	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Jas. P. Lytle	Bloomfield	New Concord	Muskingum	do	90	195	19	....	12	22	1	10	34 94	38 64	10 77	84 35	43
William Johnston	Washington	Washington		do	46	97	11	....	7	7	1	1	18 00	16 00	14 00	48 00	49
	New Salem	do		do	70	120	12	....	12	10	2	6	18 00	16 00	14 00	48 00	40
Without Charge.	*Vacancies*																
Dr. Findley	Concord*	Concord	Muskingum	do	81	172	....	....	....	....	....	..	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
B. Waddle	Cambridge	Cambridge	Guernsey	do	45	100	....	....	....	....	....	34	.....	.....	4 00	4 00	4
John Wallace	Ridge*	Kimbolton	do	do	30	60	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
J. H. Peacock	Clear Fork*	Milnersville	do	do	30	60	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Thomas Brown	Northfield	Otsego	Muskingum	do	25	50	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
W. A. Black	Cumberland			do	18	38	2	....	3	1	....	4	6 05	6 05	4 00	16 10	42
S. C. Reid	Jonathan's Creek			do	36	76	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Licentiates	Martinsburg*			do	25	40	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Joseph Walker	Alexandria*			do	5	10	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
W. G. Waddle	Goshen*	Worth	Perry	do	20	40	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
W. H. McFarland	Wolf Creek			do	15	30	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Thomas McCartney	Sunday Creek			do	12	28	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Students of Theology.	Mount Perry			do	8	16	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
T. F. Baird, J. McRea, S.C.Mars'hll.RP Fin'l'y W.Marrow,Jos.Marrow W. G. Moorhead, WM Graham,Js.White	Claysville	Claysville	Guernsey	do	14	28	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Presbytery of Ohio.																	
D. Goodwillie	Liberty	Church Hill	Trumbull	do	61	128	5	....	8	....	....	2	6 36	17 23	12 41	36 00	28
James M'Gill	Cleveland	Cleveland	Cuyahoga	do	45	132	5	....	8	....	....	2	16 00	.....	.....	16 00	12
J. W. Logue	Northfield	Northfield	Summit	do	35	79	3	....	5	....	....	5	40 00	10 00	30 08	80 08	1 01
Joseph Andrews	Wellsville	Wellsville	Columbiana	do	26	61	5	....	2	....	....	1	15 00	10 00	41 50	66 50	1 09

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S. T. Herron	New Lisbon	New Lisbon	Columbiana	Ohio	23	50	4	....	14	....	....	3	7 00	7 00	11 50	25 50	51
	West Beaver	do	do	do	35	82	7	....	3	....	....	6	6 43	7 48	30 65	44 56	54
James Golden	New Lebanon	Gavers	do	do	33	92	1	....	10	....	....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
	Yellow Creek	do	do	do	25	85	4	....	24	....	....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
J. T. Torrence	Stow	Hudson	Summit	do	12	30	....	....	....	....	....	2	14 00	5 00	9 10	28 10	94
	Springfield	do	do	do	5	10	....	....	....	....	....	2	19 70	5 00	3 81	28 51	2 85
Without Charge.	*Vacancies*																
S.W.Clark,E.Liverp'l.O	Poland	Poland	Mahoning	do	53	107	....	....	7	....	....	5	14 75	5 77	16 50	37 02	35
Titus Basfield	Calcutta	Calcutta	Columbiana	do	54	127	2	....	14	....	....	6	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
	East Liverpool	East Liverpool	do	do	25	44	3	....	1	....	....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
	East Palestine	East Palestine	do	do	30	70	4	....	6	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
	Bozetta	Warren	Trumbull	do	6	18	....	....	....	....	....	....	2 00	.....	.....	2 00	11
	Clarkson	Clarkson	Columbiana	do	5	10	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Pres. of Steubenville.																	
Jno. S. Easton	Scroggsfield	Scroggsfield	Carroll	do	77	182	11	....	28	....	....	13	23 45	24 00	9 50	56 95	31
J. McKirahan	Jefferson	Germano	Harrison	do	41	94	4	....	6	....	....	7	16 00	16 50	.....	32 50	34
	New Market	New Market	do	do	21	49	3	....	4	....	....	1	4 00	4 00	.....	8 00	16
Thos. R. Simpson	Yellow Creek	Amsterdam	Jefferson	do	25	62	14	....	17	....	....	8	7 00	8 00	.....	15 00	24
J. Andrews	Wellsville	Wellsville	Columbiana	do	23	52	....	....	....	....	....		.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
J. K. Andrews	Steubenville	Steubenville	Jefferson	do	28	180	6	....	10	....	....	8	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Without Charge.	*Vacancies.*																
John Donaldson	Richmond	Richmond	do	do	61	116	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Thomas Wilson	Mechanicstown	Mechanicstown	Carroll	do	18	46	5	....	13	....	....	5	5 00	5 00	.....	10 00	21
Alex. Wilson	Connotton				16	28	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Licentiates.	North Union	Leavitt	Carroll	do	15	38	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
T. Andrews	Piney Fork				63	112	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
J. Stevenson	Knoxville				21	48	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Jos. Buchanan	Kilgore				9	20	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
	Carrollton	Carrollton	Carroll	do	15	38	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
	Glade Run	Norristown	do	do	35	84	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Pres. of Westmoreland																	
Jos. Scroggs, D. D.	Fairfield	Ligonier	Westmoreland	Pa.	40	100	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
	Donegal	do	do	do	30	100	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
J. G. Fulton	Turtle Creek	Turtle Creek	Allegheny	do	84	207	15	....	9	15	5	12	51 35	52 31	30 00	133 66	64
M. McKinstry	McKeesport	McKeesport	do	do	46	86	6	1	6	16	....	9	18 00	12 00	9 00	39 00	

Sam'l Jamison	Bethesda	Elizabeth	Allegheny	Pa.	76	170	20	6	27	6	2	6	38 00	25 00	21 20	84 20	49
D. H. Pollock	West Newton	West Newton	Westmoreland	do	48	108	10	4	9	12	1	6	24 00	16 00	13 00	53 00	49
	Sewickly	do	do	do	56	132	7	1	6	2	3	3	32 50	20 45	16 80	69 75	52
James Kelso	Unity	Monroeville	do	do	40	100	8	1	7	5	1	5	10 25	14 00	10 00	34 25	34
	Bethel	do	do	do	34	95	5	2	7	10	1	6	11 50	14 00	10 00	35 50	37
A. G. Wallace	Bethel	Tinker Run	do	do	57	149	18	3	9	11	4	4	28 60	19 50	15 20	63 30	42
J. H. Fife	Mount Pleasant	Mount Pleasant	do	do	31	71	5	....	3	2	....	1	18 00	12 00	10 25	40 25	56
	Laurel Hill	do	do	do	45	91	....	1	2	....	3	....	6 78	8 29	11 50	26 57	29
Licentiates	*Vacancies*																
Oliver Katz	Puckety	Puebla	do	do	59	134	9	....	3	5	3	53	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
J. D. Walkinshaw	Logan's Ferry	Logan's Ferry	do	do	13	24	4	....	....	....	1	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
	Union		do	do	20	53	10	1	12	31	....		.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
	Beulah		do	do	48	113	9	2	15	5	2	15	5 00	10 00	10 00	25 00	22
	New Alexandria	New Alexandria	do	do	20	37	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
	Greensburg	Greensburg	do	do	11	22	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
	Latrobe	Latrobe	do	do	15	30	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Presby. of Wheeling																	
D. F. Reid	Uniontown	Uniontown		Ohio	39	76	8	....	5	4	2	9	.....	.....	No Contributions Reported.	.....	.....
	Egypt	do		do	26	68	6	....	6	....	2	6	.....	.....		.....	.....
H. Parks	Buchanan Hill	St. Clairsville		do	29	53	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....		.....	.....
J. T. McClure	Wheeling	Wheeling		Va.	105	193	12	1	13	9	2	9	.....	.....		.....	.....
Wm. Wishart	Unity	New Athens	Harrison	Ohio	50	105	3	....	3	2	....	4	.....	.....		.....	.....
J. C. Murch	West Alexander	West Alexander	Washington	Pa.	31	76	7	....	17	....	....	2	.....	.....		.....	.....
	Wheeling	do	do	do	29	64	1	....	....	....	....	10	.....	.....		.....	.....
Wm. Grimes	High Ridge	Glencoe	Belmont	Ohio	13	32	1	....	3	....	....	1	.....	.....		.....	.....
	Belmont	do	do	do	40	89	10	...	5	....	....	3	.....	.....		.....	.....
Without Charge	*Vacancies*																
Wm. Taggart, D. D.	St. Clairsville	St. Clairsville	do	do	60	135	17	4	11	....	....	15	.....	.....		.....	.....
J. S. McCready	Cadiz	Cadiz	Harrison	do	103	200	8	....	6	....	....	4	.....	.....		.....	.....
A. D. Clarke, D.D.	New Athens	New Athens	do	do	33	70	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....		.....	.....
Alex. Wilson	Martinsville				21	42	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....		.....	.....
	Valley			do	9	20	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....		.....	.....
	West Alexander	West Alexander	Washington	Pa	40	94	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....		.....	.....
	Short Creek	do	do	do	9	20	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....		.....	.....
	Tent	do	do		9	20	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....		.....	.....
	Morefield				40	55	....	....	....	....	2	2	.....	.....		.....	.....
	Franklin				16	34	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....		.....	.....
	Tippecanoe				10	30	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....		.....	.....
	New Metamoras				9	21	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....		.....	.....

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	Newcastle				9	20											
	Brownsville				14	32	4			8		4					
	Lebanon				9	20											
	Centreville				24	46											
	Pleasant Hill				7	20											
	Caledonia				15	30	2										
	Camaron				6	13											
2D SYNOD OF THE WEST.																	
Presb. of Chilicothe.																	
James Arbuthnot	Unity	Wheat Ridge		O.	32	81	12		8	5	1	2					
David Macdill	Cherry Fork	Eckmansville	Adams	do	83	197	13	2	16	9	4		32 00	38 00	43 00	113 00	57
Andrew Ritchie	Greenfield	Greenfield		do	28	90			5	2	1		15 00	15 00	23 00	53 00	57
A. W. M'Clanahan	Decatur	Decatur	Brown	do	23	73							10 00	10 00		20 00	27
	West Union	do	do	do	14	38							10 00	10 00		20 00	52
John Gilmore	West Fork	Tranquillity		do	75	180	12	2	18	4	2	6	20 00	20 00	20 00	60 00	33
W. H. Prestley	Chilicothe	Chilicothe		do	49	98	14	1	4	5	2	6	5 00	25 00		30 00	30
Gilbert Small	North Liberty	Indianapolis]		Ind.	11	25			1	5							
Without Charge.	*Vacancies.*																
J. H. Bonner	Fall Creek			O.	30	98			4	1	2		15 00	15 00	23 00	53 00	54
J. S. Buchanan	Mount Joy			do	13	25											
N. R. Kirkpatrick	Bethel			do	9	17											
Foreign Missionary.	Sciota			do	20	50			11								
Thomas M'Cague		Cairo, Egypt															
Presbytery of Detroit.																	
Jas. M. Smeallie	Troy	Birmingham	Oakland	Mich.	31	65	4		6				11 70	5 25		16 95	26
	Southfield	do	do	do	18	32	8		3			1	12 00			12 00	37
Without Charge.	*Vacancies.*																
John MacLellan	* Detroit	Detroit	Wayne	do	52	83	15		29			18	13 00			13 00	15
	* Commerce	Commerce	Oakland	do	29	54							16 53			16 53	30
	* Nankin	East Nankin	Wayne	do	16	33											
	Martin	Martin	Allegan	do	15	36							13 00	10 00		23 00	64
	Bruce	Romeo	Macomb	do	52	79											
Presb. of Michigan.																	
S. C. Baldridge	Providence	Jefferson	Clinton	Ind.	43	90			4			6					
Thomas Calahan	Burnett's Creek	Burnett's Creek	White	do	55	107	13		6	50		2			6 20	6 20	5

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Jas. N. Buchanan	Hebron	Hebron	Porter	Ind.	34	64	6	....	8	....	....	....	10 00	10 00	22 00	42 00	64
John Anderson	Oswego & N.Paris	Oswego	Kosciusko	do	44	92	17	....	17	....	....	....	7 37	12 00	9 00	28 37	31
David Morrow	Murray & Warren	Warren	Huntington	do	41	74	20	....	8	....	....	4	.....	.....	3 00	3 00	5
Thomas Mercer	Cam'n & Mt.Hope	Rossville	Clinton	do	15	31	....	....	7	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
J. H. Smith	Dhrent	Holland		Mich.	59	114	9	....	3	....	....	2	5 00	5 00	.....	10 00	8
J. R Shepherd	South Holland	do		do	14	34	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	2 00	.....	2 00	6
Without Charge.	*Vacancies.*																
Alex. M'Cahan	Salem	Elizaville		Ind.	39	83	14	....	8	....	....	4	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Wm. Lind	Centreville	Centreville		do	16	40	2	....	1	....	....	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Miss. to Damascus	Bethsaida	Tipton		do	31	64	11	....	14	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Jas. A. Frazier	Jalapa	Jalapa		Mich.	19	28	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Licentiate.	La Fayette	Lafayette		do	14	34	....	....	2	....	....	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
James H. Tedford	Martin	Martin	Allegan	do	41	78	7	....	10	....	....	14	.....	.....	5 00	5 00	6
	Laporte	Laporte	Laporte	Ind.	13	28	....	....	2	....	....	2	15 00	.....	.....	15 00	50
	Madison Station			do	13	30	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
	Bethel	South Hanover		do	14	25	....	....	4	....	....	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
1st Presbytery of Ohio.																	
S. W. M'Cracken	Hopewell	Morning Sun	Rubble	O.	85	247	14	4	40	....	....	11	118 70	118 70	.....	237 40	95
J. Y. Scouller	Fairhaven	Fairhaven	do	do	58	140	6	7	31	....	....	10	42 50	42 50	.....	85 00	61
Wm. Davidson	Hamilton	Hamilton	Butler	do	83	156	12	7	14	....	....	6	146 50	146 50	.....	293 00	1 87
G. D. Archibald	1st Ch. Cincinnati	Cincinnati	Hamilton	do	132	311	20	....	32	....	....	21	111 00	111 00	.....	222 00	71
R. H. Pollock	2d do do	do	do	do	23	44	7	1	14	....	....	4	25 30	25 30	.....	50 60	1 14
R. K. Campbell	Sycamore	16 Mile Stand	do	do	39	103	1	....	2	....	....	4	54 50	54 50	.....	109 00	1 05
W. C. M'Cune	3d Ch. Cincinnati	Cincinnati	do	do	16	31	5	2	9	....	....	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
J. S. Robertson	Mount Pleasant	Monroe	Butler	do	26	62	3	....	4	....	....	....	19 00	19 00	.....	38 00	61
W. J. M'Surely	Oxford	Oxford	do	do	38	98	....	....	5	....	....	11	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Presbytery of Sidney.																	
J. R. Bonner	Canonsburgh	Canonsburgh	Hancock	do	30	65	5	....	3	2	2	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Jackson Duff	Scotch Ridge	Perrysburgh		do	30	62	6	....	3	....	....	4	9 12	9 10	5 00	23 20	37
Samuel Wallace	Piqua	Piqua		do	49	139	5	6	20	5	2	1	24 34	23 00	35 00	82 34	59
James Wallace	Huntsville	Huntsville	Logan	do	53	126	6	1	7	22	....	3	26 22	26 92	21 50	74 42	59
I. N. Laughead {	Sugar Run	New California	Union	do	22	51	....	.. .	....	....	....	....	23 22	14 00	5 00	42 00	82
	Darby	do	do	do	14	24	....	....	....	....	....	....	12 00	5 20	5 00	22 00	92
Without Charge.	*Vacancies.*																
C. T. M'Caughan	Urbana	Urbana		do	24	51	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Benjamin Waddle	Kenton	Kenton	Hardin	do	35	64	3	....	1	3	....	2	4 60	.....	1 00	5 60	8
J. B. Johnston	Bellefontaine	Bellefontaine	Logan	do	41	87	8	1	8	21	2	22	.....	.....	28 00	28 00	32
Jes. McHattan	Leipsic	Leipsic	Putnam	do	15	40	6	....	2	2	2	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....

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J. L. Bull	Hale	Kenton	Hardin	Ohio	10	23	3	....	1	13	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Licentiate.	Gilead			do	9	22	4	....	3	....	....	....	7 59	.....	.....	7 59	34
W. H. Jeffers	Sidney	Sidney		do	54	120	4	....	7	2	2	8	.....	.....	10 00	10 00	8
	Quincy	Quincy		do	25	50	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
	Roundhead			do	12	27	....	....	....	....	.. .	....	.....	.....	.....	... ..	.....
Presby. of Indiana																	
Moses Arnott	Carmel	South Hanover	Jefferson	Ind.	71	146	2	....	8	1	5	13	40 00	40 00	20 00	100 00	68
Joseph R. Walker	New Zion	Spring Hill		do	53	153	6	....	4	8	1	3	115 00	115 00	20 00	250 00	1 63
Nathan C. McDill	Richland	Richland		do	37	109	....	1	12	2	2	3	56 00	57 00	27 00	140 00	1 28
	Bethesda	Milroy		do	27	63	...	....	6	2	...	1	40 00	41 00	19 00	100 00	1 58
J. F. Hutchison	Shiloh	Ogden		do	47	99	8	3	4	6	....	1	30 00	30 00	.....	60 00	60
	Vienna	Steele's		do	19	42	....	...	3	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Thomas Dickson	Caledonia	Moorfield		do	20	44	5	....	7	3	1	1	37 50	37 83	.....	75 33	1 71
	Vacancies																
	Indianapolis	Indianapolis		do	18	49	5	....	6	12	....	2	15 00	15 00	.....	30 00	61
	Madison	Madison	Jefferson	do	29	60	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
	Grayfriars	Lexington	Scott	do	12	24	2	....	2	....	....	6	5 00	.....	.....	5 00	21
	Hopewell	do	do	do	8	16	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	3 00	.....	3 00	12
	Mount Pleasant	Lancaster	Jefferson	do	10	20	....	....	.. .	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
	Vernon	Vernon	Jennings	do	21	37	....	...	....	...	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Pres. of South. Indiana																	
John Bryan	2d Bloomington	Bloomington	Monroe	do	38	85	6	....	....	....	1	1	17 54	.....	. ....	17 54	20
J. L. Craig	Princeton	Princeton	Gibson	do	47	92	14	2	9	8	3	8	14 00	.....	19 25	33 25	36
R. Gray	Eden	Summerville	do	do	44	97	13	1	8	4	....	....	10 00	.....	6 00	16 00	16
James Ingles	Ruhamah	Scotland	Green	do	16	34	1	....	....	...	....	2	... ..	.....	.....	.....	.....
William Turner	1st Bloomington	Bloomington	Monroe	do	75	173	6	....	8	4	....	....	15 00	15 00	35 00	65 00	37
Thomas Turner	West Union	Carmi	White	Ill.	37	79	11	3	23	15	....	....	5 00	5 00	7 50	17 50	22
Licentiate	*Vacancies*																
John W. Bayne	New Providence	Flat Rock	Crawford	do	18	26	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Student of Theology	Vandalia	Vandalia	Owen	Ind.	20	36	2	....	3	2	....	8	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
William T. Moffit	Portland	Portland Mills	Putnam	do	17	33	1	....	5	2	2	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
	Elizabeth	Elizabeth	Harrison	do	12	22	....	...	....	6	1	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
	Boonville	Boonville	Warrick	do	5	10	....	....	....	....	....	....	... ..	.....	.....	.....	.....
	Gentryville	Gentryville	Spencer	do	4	8	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....

Presbytery of Xenia																	
R. D. Harper	1st Cong. Xenia	Xenia	Greene	Ohio	110	270	12	1	16	10	1	8	70 00	50 00	40 00	160 00	59
R. B. Ewing	2nd Cong. Xenia	do	do	do	80	213	3	1	18	16	2	3	59 30	53 60	71 10	184 00	86
Jas. P. Smart	Massie's Creek	do	do	do	57	131	9	1	13	2	5	2	67 10	67 10	46 14	180 34	1 37
J. P. Wright	Cedarville	Cedarville	do	do	68	153	11	....	2	12	....	6	33 00	54 00	146 00	233 00	1 52
C. Cummins	Cesar's Creek	Jamestown	do	do	28	65	2	....	4	2	1	8	50 25	50 25	10 00	110 50	1 70
R. E. Stewart	Sugar Creek	Bellbrook	do	do	47	140	5	2	2	5	2	8	.....	.....	235 00	235 00	1 68
Jos. Clokey, D. D.	Springfield	Springfield		do	59	135	10	....	12	10	4	11	30 00	30 00	51 00	111 00	85
R. Forrester	Truro	Reynoldsburg	Franklin	do	33	64	6	....	....	....	1	5	.....	16 25	.....	16 25	22
Without Charge	*Vacancies*							...									
T. Beveridge, DD. Xenia	Columbus	Columbus		do	19	47	2	....	....	6	....	3	.....	6 00	.....	6 00	12
S. Wilson, D. D. "	Bethel				19	41	2	....	2	....	....	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
S. McCracken "	Wilmington	Wilmington	Clinton	do	12	21	8	....	4	....	....	2	24 47	.....	.....	24 47	1 16
M. M. Oldham, Springf'd	Reeseville	do	do	do	10	24	16	....	6	4	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
H. McHatten, Cedarv'le	Dayton	Dayton	Montgomery	do	10	22	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	. ....	.....	.....	.....
Alex. McHatten, "																	
G. W. Gowdy, Cincinn.																	
Licentiates.																	
J. Armstrong																	
J. H. Timmons																	
SYNOD OF ILLINOIS.																	
Pres. of Bloomington																	
P. H. Drennen	Low Point	Washburne		Ill.	19	43	....	...	....	....	....	....	15 00	15 00	15 50	45 50	1 06
W. R. Erskine	White Oak Grove	Bloomington		do	25	50	10	1	7	...	2	....	.....	.....	7 50	7 50	15
G. D. Henderson	Granville	Granville	Putnam	do	18	47	5	....	3	2	....	3	13 32	10 29	7 28	30 89	65
Jno. M. Gordon	Berlin	Berlin		do	29	65	8	1	3	....	1	8	5 00	5 00	10 50	20 50	31
Elijah McCoy	Bethel	Trivoli	Henderson	do	24	57	12	1	7	6	....	10	15 00	19 22	9 00	43 22	75
Jno. W. Pinkerton	Harmony	Smithville		do	60	116	18	3	20	17	....	1	.....	.....	15 00	15 00	13
Without Charge	*Vacancies*																
Matthew Clark	Bloomington	Bloomington		do	21	50	3	....	7	22	1	17	19 25	.....	8 50	27 75	55
Licentiates.	Head of Sandy	Wenona	Putnam	do	16	34	4	....	2	4	....	....	7 95	13 50	12 25	33 70	99
J. S. McCullough	Peoria	Peoria		do	17	38	6	....	....	1	2	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
J. K. Black	Spring Creek	Taylorsville		do	7	25	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
	Tacusa	Tacusa		do	6	10	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
	Jacksonville	Jacksonville		do	6	11	...	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	5 00	5 00	45
	Preaching Stations																
	Prospect City	Prospect City		do													
	Chenoa	Chenoa		do													
	Apple Creek	Carrollton		do													

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Presbytery of Chicago																	
R. W. French	Somonauk	Freeland	De Kalb	Ill.	37	105	14	....	9	....	....	3	57 90	6 25	.. .	64 15	61
S. F. Thompson	Ross Grove	Ross Grove		do	17	35	1	....	5	....	....	....	4 25	5 00	3 25	12 50	39
S. Collins	Yorkville	Yorkville	Racine	Wis.	45	78	6	....	11	....	....	4	50 00	.....	5 00	55 00	70
W. P. Currie	Apple River	Hanover	Jo Davies	Ill.	36	75	8	....	17	....	....	....	8 25	11 25	.....	19 50	26
S. Coon	Lisbon	Sussex	Waukesha	Wis.	30	56	8	....	6	....	....	2	.....	4 00	.....	4 00	7
	Vernon	Vernon	do	do	32	67	9	....	11	....	....	4	.....	9 00	.....	9 00	13
Without Charge																	
Jas. A. McKee	*Vacancies*																
Jno. Freely, Ross Grove	Galena	Galena	Jo Davies	Ill.	15	35	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Jas. A. Shankland	Freeport	Freeport	Winnebago	do	6	12	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	....	.....	.....	.....
Licentiates.	Rock Run	Dakotah	Stephenson	do	11	22	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	....	.....	.....	.....
Thomas Winter	Prairie	Freeport	do	do	5	9	....	....	....	....	....	....	... ..	... ..	.....	.....	.....
J. S. Aten	Neenah	Neenah	Winnebago	Wis.	12	20	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
R. Gilmore	Waupacca	Waupacca	Waupacca	do	9	19	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
	Wyoming Valley	Wyoming Valley	Iowa	do	9	18	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
	Chemung	Chemung	McHenry	Ill.	15	26	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
	Camp Creek	Savannah	Carroll	do	15	30	....	....	....	....	....	14	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
	Chicago	Chicago	Cook	do	10	28	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
	Wheatland	Plainfield	Will	do	20	47	5	....	....	....	....	6	8 50	.....	.....	8 50	18
	Neshannoc	Neshannoc	La Crosse	Wis.	10	20	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
	Eden Prairie	Eden Prarie		Minn.	10	20	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Presby. of Des Moines																	
J. A. Pressly	Albia	Albia	Monroe	Iowa.	20	100	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
	Service	do	do	do	20	30	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
R. A. McAyeal	Oskaloosa	Oskaloosa		do	45	100	....	....	30	10	....	20	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Without Charge																	
James Miller	*Vacancies*																
W. Douthett	Knoxville	Knoxville		do	27	75	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Jos. White	Chariton	Chariton		do	8	16	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Jno. Graham	Corydon	Corydon	Wayne	do	10	20	....	...	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
J. A. Vance	Somerset	Somerset	Warren	do	25	42	....	.. .	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
A. C. Tris	Winterset	Winterset	Madison	do	21	47	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Jos. S. Maughlin	Indianola	Indianola		do	10	20	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
	St. Charles	St. Charles		do	11	25	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....

Licentiate.																					
J. H. Young	Des Moines	Des Moines		do	10	17	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....				
	Vandalia	Vandalia		do	9	25	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....				
	Boonesboro'	Boonesboro'	Boone	do	5	10	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....				
	Amity	College Springs	Page	do	15	40	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....				
	Montpelier			do	10	20	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....				
	Mount Ayr			do	6	13	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....				
	Rock Bluffs			N. T.	5	9	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....				
	Nebraska City			do	7	15	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....				
Presbytery of Kansas																					
James N. Smith	Berea																				
B. L. Baldridge	Leavenworth	Walker	Anderson	Kan's.	19	41	9	....	7	15	1	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....				
Geo. W. Torrence	Americus	Leavenworth	Leavenworth	do	9	27	8	2	5	22	....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....				
Jno. R. Slentz	Sharman	Americus	Breckinridge	do	9	18	....	....	4	14	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....				
Joseph D. Steele	Manhattan	Sharman	Anderson	do	6	13	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....				
	Stations	Manhattan		do	7	16	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....				
	Garrett																				
	Manhattan	Sharman		do	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....				
	Topeka	Manhattan		do	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....				
	Lawrence	Topeka		do	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....				
	Brownsville	Lawrence		do	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....				
	McCleamish	Brownsville		do	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....				
	Atchison	McCleamish		do	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....				
	Wyandott	Atchison		do	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....				
Presbytery of Keokuk		Wyandott		do	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....				
Wm. M. Boyce	Keokuk																				
Samuel McArthur	Birmingham	Keokuk	Lee	Iowa.	15	40	4	2	....	....	....	13	22 70	5 00	.....	27 70	69				
	Sugar Creek	Birmingham	Van Buren	do	35	64	4	....	8	....	3	...	10 28	1 35	.....	11 63	18				
Wm. M. Graham	Morning Sun	Dover	Lee	do	22	43	....	....	8	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....				
James Brown	Keokuk City	Morning Sun		do	15	33	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....				
Alex. Story	Columbus City	Keokuk	Lee	do	60	129	....	....	8	12	....	4	8 50	8 50	.....	17 00	13				
J. P. Chambers	Middletown	Columbus City	Louisa	do	69	154	....	....	....	....	....	....	28 50	17 82	.....	46 32	30				
N. McDowell	Crawfordsville	Middletown		do	19	38	2	....	2	3	2	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....				
A. Pattison	Fort Madison	Crawfordsville	Washington	do	90	196	20	4	10	18	3	15	26 86	21 00	.....	47 86	24				
R. N. Fee	Harrison	Fort Madisen		do	15	40	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....				
	Grandview	Wapello	Louisa	do	24	58	10	4	8	8	2	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....				
J. T. Tate	Pleasant Valley	Grandview	do	do	17	25	....	....	....	....	....	4	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....				
S. F. Vanatta	2nd Washington	Dutch Creek	Washington	do	61	122	....	....	14	19	3	13	12 41	12 46	.....	24 87	20				
	Brighton	Washington	do	do	50	125	26	....	13	18	....	21	15 00	11 00	23 85	49 85	39				
Wm. H. Wilson	1st Washington	do	do	do	16	41	2	....	2	1	1	5	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....				
		do	do	do	99	275	12	1	9	12	4	29	42 75	85 90	.....	128 65	46				

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Jas. R. Doig, D. D.	Dodgeville			Iowa.	9	17	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
D. Lindsay	West Point			do	6	12	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
R. J. Hammond	Mount Sterling			do	9	20	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
D. McLean	New London			do	10	24	3	....	2	4	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
James McArthur	Mount Pleasant			do	9	20	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
	Millersburg			do	6	15	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Licentiates.	Fairfield	Fairfield	Jefferson	do	9	20	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
A. B. Cassill	Union Station			do	6	13	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Jno. P. Robb																	
Presby. of Le Claire																	
J. D. Cunningham	Otter Creek	Rockdale	Jackson	do	28	53	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
	Farmer's Creek	do	do	do	9	19	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Henry Allen	Iowa City	Iowa City	Johnson	do	20	50	1	....	7	10	....	6	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
R. S. Campbell	De Witt	De Witt	Clinton	do	18	42	7	....	5	4	2	8	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
	Camanchee	do	do	do	14	34	3	....	6	....	....	5	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
A. J. Allen	Scotch Grove	Scotch Grove	Jones	do	9	22	4	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
	Mount Hope	do	do	do	9	23	4	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Jno. H. Nash	Le Claire	Le Claire City	Scott	do	27	50	5	....	8	2	1	8	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Jonathan Stewart	Andrew	Andrew	Jackson	do	23	52	17	....	20	21	1	5	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
	La Motte	do	do	do	5	17	1	....	5	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Without Charge	*Vacancies*																
S. E. McKee	Kingston City	Kingston City	Linn	do	35	70	16	....	10	4	....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
H. Sturgeon	Fairfax	Fairfax	do	do	11	18	8	....	2	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
	Davenport	Davenport	Scott	do	26	64	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
	Le Claire Prairie	Le Claire	do	do	17	55	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
	Vinton	Vinton	Benton	do	9	20	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Pres. of Monmouth																	
J. C. Porter	Cedar Creek	Little York		Ill.	60	155	14	2	14	27	4	16	.....	29 70	49 00	78 70	51
John Scott	Henderson	Monmouth	Warren	do	53	123	17	....	9	12	2	63	36 14	20 00	56 04	112 18	91
M. Bigger	Pope Creek	Aledo	do	do	56	142	13	4	15	12	2	23	.....	.....	20 50	20 50	14
J. C. McKnight	Spring Grove	Spring Grove	do	do	27	83	13	2	10	24	....	16	8 00	6 00	10 00	24 00	29
D. A. Wallace, Alex. Young, D. D.	Monmouth	Monmouth	do	do	90	308	15	1	38	71	2	10	50 47	62 30	119 16	231 93	75
N. C. Weedo	Fairfield	Sparland		do	33	57	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	9 00	9 00	15

Samuel Millen	Smith Creek	Monmouth	Warren	do	52	106	....	....	....	18	....	....	8 00	8 50	30 25	46 75	44
J. A. Edie	No. Henderson	No. Henderson	do	do	71	173	18	....	15	16	2	....	50 00	25 00	6 00	81 00	46
D. C. Cochran	Twin Grove	Viola		do	18	39	9	....	6	5	....	7	4 10	.....	8 80	12 90	33
J. M. Graham	Elmira	Elmira		do	45	92	15	....	23	8	2	4	15 13	15 33	27 64	58 10	63
J. A. P. McGaw	So Henderson	Biggsville		do	79	160	11	1	9	7	5	13	35 00	27 00	77 40	139 40	87
	Vacancies			do													
Without Charge	Oquawka			do	13	28	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Dr. D. Macdill, Monm'th	Rock Island			do	17	34	5	....	6	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3 60	3 60	10
M. Morrison, do	Clayton			do	25	50	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	7 50	7 50	15
J. R. McAllister,	Ellisville			do	26	38	2	....	1	7	2	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
John Wallace	Young America			do	10	25	3	1	2	5	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 00	2 00	8
R. Ross	Ellison			do	102	198	18	1	12	....	5	9	.....	.....	34 30	34 30	17
A. A. Rodgers, Mon'mth	Aledo			do	12	27	....	....	1	10	.....	....	.....	.....	2 75	2 75	10
J. D. Wolfe	Homestead	Pennsylvania	Rock Island	do	32	63	8	....	....	5	....	5	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Licentiates	Marietta			do	9	20	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Wellington Wright	Oxford			do	7	15	....	....	2	....	....	....	3 00	.....	3 30	6 30	42
W. Cook	Elveston			do	9	20	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
A. Conner					.....	.....	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
J. C. Hutchinson					.....	.....	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Student of Theology					.....	.....	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
S. S. Hamill																	
Presbytery of St. Louis																	
Jas. W. Glenn	Springfield	Preston		do	65	170	13	10	46	4	3	1	18 00	9 00	.....	27 00	16
James Morrow	Washington	Sparta	Randolph	do	26	76	9	2	4	....	3	4	5 00	5 00	.....	10 00	13
John McLean	St. Louis	St. Louis		Mo.	76	154	11	....	4	9	3	10	18 10	22 70	18 65	59 45	38
W. A. Pollock	Chester	Chester		Ill.	14	26	....	....	1	4	....	....	6 00	6 00	.....	12 00	46
Jno. F. Stewart	Union and Sparta	Sparta	Randolph	do	125	307	60	3	18	22	6	9	18 15	18 10	.....	36 25	11
Wm. Wright	Hopewell	Pinckneyville		do	45	103	17	....	6	7	2	....	5 50	6 10	.....	11 60	11
Without Charge	*Vacancies*				.....	.....	....	....	....								
M. M. Brown, Sparta	Unity	Jordan's Grove		do	47	106	16	....	13	4	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
D. Steele, Pinckneyville.	Bethel	Grand Cote		do	29	50	12	....	6	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Licentiate					.....	.....	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
C. K. Potter																	
Presbytery of Scalkote					.....	.....	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Andrew Gordon	Scalkote	Scalkote			.....	.....	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
E. H. Stevenson				N. India	9	23	....	9	9	....	1	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
R. A. Hill					.....	.....	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Licentiates.																	
E. P. Swift, G. P. Scott					.....	.....	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....

SUMMARY.

PRESBYTERIES.	Pastors.	Without Charge.	Total Ministrs	Licentiates.	Congregations.	Number of Families	Number of Membrs	Baptisms. Infan.	Baptisms. Ad'lts	Increase. Exam.	Increase. Certif.	Decrease. De'ths	Decrease. Remv.	Contributions. Home Missions.	Contributions. Foreign Missions.	Contributions. Oth. Church Funds.	Contributions. Total Contribut'ns	Average to each Mem.
ALBANY	8	1	9	.....	9	574	1191	82	9	94	57	15	37	387 54	275 64	229 12	892 30	75
BOSTON	3	1	4	.....	4	262	491	26	2	30	26	3	20	7 98	17 19	.....	25 17	5
CALEDONIA	6	2	8	2	10	637	1135	57	2	43	11	14	20	129 00	178 00	455 00	762 00	67
CAMBRIDGE	8	4	12	.....	11	588	1274	89	.....	86	.....	.....	43	299 48	317 14	328 38	945 00	74
NEW YORK	10	2	12	1	12	910	2003	129	.....	246	.....	.....	117	707 00	599 43	162 00	1468 43	73
PHILADELPHIA A. R.	3	.....	3	.....	4	586	1242	85	1	98	48	15	58	251 71	281 00	561 49	1094 20	88
PHILADELPHIA ASSO	7	1	8	.....	9	537	1071	61	.....	132	.....	.....	62	460 26	441 80	256 81	1158 87	1 08
SARATOGA	4	2	6	1	9	522	1015	11	.....	32	.....	.....	17	24 27	22 66	.....	46 93	4
STAMFORD	5	.....	5	.....	9	262	522	26	1	25	8	9	14	157 07	35 42	88 01	280 50	54
VERMONT	2	.....	2	.....	4	191	401	21	1	14	.....	6	.....	34 93	95 24	31 12	161 29	40
WASHINGTON	5	4	9	1	5	584	1087	53	13	81	44	31	27	158 00	235 00	62 00	455 00	41
ALLEGHENY	13	3	16	3	24	1476	3519	205	16	200	126	39	152	912 80	1276 22	503 65	2692 67	76
BIG SPRING	7	5	12	.....	19	380	868	13	.....	27	.....	2	20	125 68	118 00	55 76	299 44	34
BUTLER	11	.....	11	.....	23	1055	2380	182	20	195	61	16	50	223 01	288 14	159 50	670 65	28
CHARTIERS	11	2	13	10	18	933	2268	95	.....	182	.....	3	138	395 06	323 36	225 95	944 37	41
CONEMAUGH	12	1	13	1	40	1186	2719	207	42	232	146	26	36	233 46	189 88	69 23	492 57	18
LAKE	11	1	12	.....	25	940	2005	126	10	128	92	13	37	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
MANSFIELD	10	1	11	3	27	727	1539	50	2	81	57	12	29	156 62	209 38	55 15	421 15	27
MERCER	13	4	17	2	25	1156	2680	220	.....	369	.....	30	110	252 96	242 21	52 00	547 17	20
MONONGAHELA	15	4	19	3	18	1601	3330	220	29	250	185	42	124	915 00	882 00	341 00	2138 00	64
MUSKINGUM	10	7	17	4	30	1144	2484	124	5	117	84	16	110	188 99	236 69	148 27	573 95	23
OHIO	7	3	10	.....	16	473	1125	83	.....	102	.....	.....	37	141 24	67 48	155 55	364 27	32
STEUBENVILLE	5	3	8	3	15	468	1149	43	.....	78	.....	.....	32	56 45	57 50	9 50	123 45	10
WESTMORELAND	8	.....	8	2	19	773	1822	126	22	115	120	26	123	243 98	203 55	156 95	604 48	33
WHEELING	6	4	10	.....	28	805	1678	79	5	69	23	8	69	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
CHILICOTHE	7	4	11	.....	12	387	972	51	5	67	31	12	14	107 00	133 00	109 00	349 00	36
DETROIT	1	1	2	.....	7	213	382	27	.....	38	.....	.....	19	66 23	15 25	.....	81 48	21
MICHIGAN	8	3	11	1	17	505	1016	99	.....	94	50	.....	40	37 37	29 00	45 20	111 57	11
FIRST OF OHIO	9	.....	9	.....	9	500	1192	68	21	151	.....	.....	71	517 50	517 50	.....	1035 00	87
SIDNEY	5	5	10	1	15	423	951	50	8	55	70	10	40	106 63	78 02	110 50	295 15	31
INDIANA	5	.....	5	.....	13	372	862	28	4	52	34	9	30	338 50	338 83	86 00	763 33	88
SOUTHERN INDIANA	6	.....	6	1	12	333	695	54	7	56	41	7	19	61 54	20 00	67 75	149 29	21
XENIA	8	7	15	2	13	552	1326	86	5	79	16	16	59	334 12	327 20	599 24	1260 56	95
BLOOMINGTON	6	1	7	2	12	248	546	66	6	49	52	6	42	75 52	63 01	90 53	229 06	42
CHICAGO	5	3	8	3	19	344	722	51	.....	59	.....	.....	33	128 90	35 50	8 25	172 65	24
DES MOINES	2	7	9	1	18	264	684	.....	.....	30	10	.....	20	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
KANSAS	5	.....	5	.....	5	50	115	17	2	16	51	1	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
KEOKUK	12	5	17	2	23	671	1526	83	11	84	95	18	104	167 00	163 03	23 85	353 88	23
LE CLAIRE	6	2	8	.....	15	260	589	66	.....	63	41	4	33	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
MONMOUTH	12	7	19	4	22	846	1956	161	12	163	227	26	106	209 84	193 83	467 24	870 91	44
ST. LOUIS	6	2	8	1	8	427	992	138	15	98	50	17	24	70 75	66 90	18 65	156 30	16
SEALKOTE	3	.....	3	2	1	9	23	.....	9	9	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
42	306	102	408	56	634	25 174	55 547	3458	294	4189	1650	453	2197	$8682 39	$8574 00	$5732 65	$22989 04	41

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Rev. Peter Bullions, D. D.,	1859.

STATED CLERKS.

1858. Rev. Samuel Wilson, D. D.,	1858.
1859. Rev. James Prestley, Pittsburgh, Pa.	

SYNODS.

Synod of New York will meet in Coila, Washington Co., N. Y., on the first Tuesday of October, at 2 o'clock, P. M., Rev. J. B. Scouller, *Stated Clerk.*

First Synod of the West will meet in the First Church, Allegheny, on the last Wednesday evening of September, Rev. R. A. Browne, *Stated Clerk.*

Second Synod of the West will meet on the third Thursday of October, at 7 o'clock, P. M., in Hamilton, O.. Rev. R. D. Harper, *Stated Clerk.*

Synod of Illinois will meet on the last Thursday of August, at 7 o'clock, P. M., in Washington, Iowa. Rev. J. C. Porter, *Stated Clerk.*

THEOLOGICAL SEMINARIES.

Allegheny, Pa., will open on the first Monday in November. Rev. J. T. Pressly, D. D., A. D. Clark, D. D., and D. R. Kerr, D. D., *Professors.*

Xenia, O., will open on the 1st of September. Rev. Thos. Beveridge, D. D., Samuel Wilson, D. D., Joseph Clokey, D. D., *Professors.*

Monmouth, Ill., will open on the first Tuesday in September. Rev. Alex. Young, D. D., and Rev. John Scott. *Professors.*

FOREIGN MISSIONS AND MISSIONARIES.

Syria.—Rev. Jas. A. Frazer, John Crawford, and A. Hattie, M. D. *Damascus.*

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" Rev. G. Lansing, John Hogg, (elect.) and Miss S. B. Dales. *Alexandria.*

India.—Rev. Andrew Gordon, Rev. E. H. Stevenson, Rev. R. A. Hill, Mr. Geo. P. Scott, Mr. Elisha Swift, Miss Elizabeth Gordon:—*Seulkote, N. India.*

Rev. George Brown, Savannah Grande, Trinidad.

China.—Messrs. J. C. Nevin, and S. C. Ewing, (elect.)

NEWSPAPERS AND PERIODICALS.

The Evangelical Repository.—Monthly. Rev. T. H. Beveridge, Editor. Philadelphia.

The United Presbyterian.—Weekly. Rev. D. R. Kerr, and D. H. A. M'Lean, Editors. Pittsburg.

The Presbyterian Witness.—Weekly. Rev. R. H. Pollock, and G. W. Gowdy, Editors. Cincinnati.

The Christian Instructor.—Weekly. Rev. J. B. Dales, J. T. Cooper, and G. C. Arnold, Editors. Philadelphia.

United Presbyterian of the West, Monmouth, Ills. Weekly. Proprietor, Rev. M. Morrison. Editors, Rev. D. Macdill, D. D., Rev. James Brown.

BOARDS AND TREASURERS.

Foreign Missions. Philadelphia. Messrs. J. B. Dales, H. H. Blair, J. T. Pressly, J. T. Cooper, G. C. Arnold, and Francis Church, *Ministers*, and S. C. Huey, T. D. Anderson, and T. B. Rich, *Elders. Treasurer*, T. B. Rich, 190 Elizabeth St., N. Y.

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Ecclesiastical.

CALLS.

Rev. W. P. Breaden, from Fairview, in Butler Presbytery, for one-half his time. Accepted.

Rev. Joseph Andrews, from Wellsville, Ohio Presbytery. Accepted.

Rev. Joseph Boyd, from Mechanicstown and Glade Run, Presbytery of Steubenville.

Rev. J. B. Johnston, from St. Clairsville, Presbytery of Wheeling. Accepted.

Rev. J. S. Macready, from Cadiz, same Presbytery. Accepted.

Rev. Wm. Grimes, from Centreville, same Presbytery, one-fourth of his time.

Mr. Josias Stevenson, from Pleasant Valley, and from Martinsville, same Presbytery.

Rev. W. R. Erskine, from White Oak Grove, Presbytery of Bloomington. Accepted.

Rev. F. M'Burney, from Hopewell, Presbytery of Big Spring, one-third of his time. Accepted.

Mr. Thos. J. Kennedy, from Jamestown and Kinsman, Lake Presbytery. Accepted.

Rev. Wm. Findley, from Shenango, in Presbytery of Mercer, half his time. Accepted.

DEMISSIONS.

Rev. William Smith, from Rich Hill, Butler Presbytery.

Rev. F. M'Burney, from Lower Chanceford, Presbytery of Big Spring.

ORDINATIONS AND INSTALLATIONS.

Rev. Joseph Andrews, in Wellsville, Ohio Presbytery, June 14th. Sermon and Questions by Rev. D. Goodwillie; Charges by Rev. S. W. Clark and Rev. S. T. Herron.

Rev. M. H. Wilson, in Centre, Presbytery of Conemaugh, June 15th, one third of his time, in connexion with Jacksonville.

Mr. J. W. M'Surely, in Oxford, 1st Presbytery of Ohio, May 2d. Sermon by Rev. R. K. Campbell; Questions and Prayer by Rev. W. Davidson; Charges by Rev. R. H. Pollock and Rev. J. Y. Scouller.

Mr. R. D. Williamson, in Lansingville, Presbytery of Albany, May 5th. Sermon by Rev. J. B. Lee; Questions and Prayer by Rev. D. Donnan; Charges by Rev. W. J. Cleland and Rev. D. Donnan.

Rev. Wm. Lorimer, in Antrim, Presbytery of Muskingum, June 15th.

Rev. James M'Neil, in Barlow and Bethel, same Presbytery, June 11th.

CHANGE OF RELATION.

Rev. Isaiah Faries, of the Presbytery of Big Spring, has connected himself with the O. S. Presbyterian Church.

LICENSURE.

Mr. James G. Armstrong, by the Presbytery of Xenia, May 31st.

MISCELLANEOUS.

The congregations of Richmond and Knoxville, Presbytery of Steubenville, have been united as a pastoral charge.

The Associate and Associate Reformed congregations of Chanceford, Presbytery of Big Spring, have been united as one pastoral charge.

At Utica, in the Lake Presbytery, a congregation was organized on the 18th of March.

Rev. James C. Herron has returned from California, with his family, and is now with his father in Chartiers Presbytery.

We have intelligence of the death of Rev. Alexander Donnan, of Hickory, Washington county, Pa.

THE PRESENT NUMBER.

We give up our pages at this time wholly to the Minutes of the General Assembly. With these Minutes we have taken great pains. We have carefully transcribed the whole of them, and also many of the documents. The Statistical Tables particularly have been very troublesome, and their preparation has delayed the issue of this number at least two weeks. The whole of them have been re-written, and completed, as far as practicable, and the arithmetical work has been carefully performed and verified. The table of the Presbytery of Allegheny, not arriving in time, is inserted somewhat out of place. We hope that the Minutes will prove to be printed correctly; although it would be very strange if no error were made in such an array of figures as go to make up the Statistical Report.

We are unable to find room for any original matter. The Minutes of the Associate Synod are in type, and will appear in our next.

THE CHRISTIAN INSTRUCTOR.

The first number of this new weekly paper is before us, and we think it will be generally acknowledged, that while its contents are varied and interesting, its respectable appearance will give it an honourable position among the religious periodicals of the day. The Editors are Rev. Dr. Dales, Rev. Dr. Cooper, and Rev. G. C. Arnold. The Publisher and Proprietor is Mr. Wm. S. Young, 52 N. Sixth Street, Philadelphia. The terms are $2.00 a year, in advance.

Notices of New Publications.

From Sheldon & Co., New York; for sale by Smith, English & Co., and W. S. & Alfred Martien, Philadelphia:—

SUMMER PICTURES: From Copenhagen to Venice. By Henry M. Field, Author of "The Irish Confederates, and the Rebellion of 1798." 12mo., pp. 291.

This is one of the most entertaining books of travel we have ever read. Nothing of interest seems to have escaped the eyes of the tourist. He sees with the eyes, and depicts with the pen of a statesman, a scholar, and an artist. Though carrying us, for the most part, over a beaten track, we follow him with as much interest as though roaming through "fresh fields and pastures new." His brief descriptions of the state of things in France, Austria, and Italy, have given us a clearer perception of the causes and objects of the present war than we have been able to gain from any other source. These "Summer Pictures" make delightful summer reading.

THE BIBLE IN THE LEVANT; or the Life and Letters of the Rev. C. N. Righter, Agent of the American Bible Society in the Levant. By Samuel Irenæus Prime. 18mo., pp. 336.

An interesting sketch of a devoted and useful servant of Christ, calculated to impress the reader with a deep sense of the religious destitution of the inhabitants of Turkey, Syria, Egypt, Greece, &c., and of the importance of the work which is doing there under the direction of the American Bible Society. There are portions of this book which have all the fascinations of a romance; particularly the narrative of Mr. Righter's visits to the Camp of the Allies at Sebastopol, and the touching story of the closing scene.

THE CHRISTIAN GRACES: A Series of Lectures on 2 Peter i. 5—12. By Joseph P. Thompson, Pastor of the Broadway Tabernacle Church. 18mo., pp. 280.

These nine lectures on "Virtue, Knowledge, Temperance," &c., were delivered by the author in the course of his ministrations, and are now given to the public in compliance with the request of his congregation. They furnish a sound and instructive exposition of the passage under consideration, and abound in apt illustrations, and important practical exhortations. Dr. Thompson does not believe that the brotherly-kindness here enjoined will allow a man to hold his brother in bondage, merely because he has a black skin. It is all well enough for the Dr. to be-

lieve this, but we are afraid "The New York Observer" and "The Presbyterian" won't like to hear him "speaking out in meetin'," in this way.

TRUTH IS EVERY THING: A Tale for Young Persons. By Mrs. Thomas Geldart, Author of "Emilie the Peacemaker," "Daily Thoughts for a Child," "Stories of Scotland," etc. First American, from Third London Edition. 18mo., pp. 171.

After reading some of the works of Mrs. Geldart, we can assure our readers that they may safely buy any book which bears her name upon the title-page. They need no other guarantee of its excellent sentiment and superior merit. The book before us is one which all children should read, and then hand to their parents. Its object is to promote a strict regard to the truth.

From Robert Carter & Brothers, New York; for sale by W. S. & Alfred Martien, Philadelphia:—

THE KNOWLEDGE OF GOD, SUBJECTIVELY CONSIDERED; being the Second Part of Theology considered as a Science of Positive Truth, both Inductive and Deductive. By Robert J. Breckinridge, D. D., LL.D., Professor of Theology in the Seminary at Danville, Kentucky. 8vo., pp. 697. Price, $2.50

The preceding volume of this elaborate and philosophical work, the production of undoubtedly one of the most powerful minds of the age, is so well known, either immediately to its readers, or mediately, through its reviewers, to the public in general, that it is sufficient for us to announce the appearance of a second volume. The former treated of divine truth objectively considered; i. e., as revealed in the works and word of God. The latter treats of that truth subjectively considered; i. e., as manifested in its effects within us and upon us. These are to be succeeded by a third, on controversial theology; or truth and its effects confronted with untruth. The volume before us is divided into five books, on the following subjects:—The Covenant of Grace; Union and Communion with the Son of God; The Offices of Christianity; Communion of Saints; Gifts of God to his Church. We are not able to express an opinion in reference to the truth or falsity of the charges brought against the author in connexion with his first volume; but this much we can say, that we know of no man living who has less need to appropriate the thoughts of other men, and no man who would be less likely to do so. In the preface to this volume the Doctor says, in reference to the statements made in his former preface:—"They were never capable of being misunderstood; unless, perhaps, to authorize the supposition that my use of the labours of others, both in that treatise and in this, was far more extensive than in fact it was; and that my contributions to the true progress of Christian Theology were less distinct than they might turn out to be. Claiming nothing, except a patient consideration by the people of God, of a sincere endeavour to re-state with perfect simplicity, and according to its own sublime nature, and in its own glorious proportion, the knowledge of God unto salvation; I confidently ask, who are they amongst the living—how many are there amongst the dead—on whose behalf it can be truly asserted that such a claim is unjust to them, or unbecoming in me?"

NOTES, CRITICAL AND EXPLANATORY, ON THE ACTS OF THE APOSTLES. By Melancthon W. Jacobus, Professor of Biblical Literature, &c., in the Western Theological Seminary at Allegheny City, Pa. 12mo., pp. 430. Price, $1.00.

This is a work which has been anxiously expected, and which will be gladly welcomed by the Christian public. The other expository treatises of the author have been advanced to an honourable place in many Bible-classes and Sabbath-schools. We have always preferred them, on the whole, to any others. This volume will be especially welcome, inasmuch as a good popular exposition of the Acts was much needed. That portion of Scripture has always seemed to us a peculiarly interesting one as a subject of study in the Bible-class; and this commentary, so well arranged, so copious, so comprehensive, and so clear, will furnish invaluable aid to teachers and scholars.

A LITTLE THING GREAT; or, The Dance and the Dancing School. Tested in a few plain Sermons, by John T. Brooke, D. D., Rector of Christ Church, Springfield, Ohio. 18mo., pp. 116.

Just the thing to put into the hands of giddy youth and thoughtless parents, and well calculated to awaken in the mind serious questionings in regard to the propriety of countenancing, in any way, the sinful, but seductive amusement, to the consideration of which these seven discourses are devoted.

From Gould & Lincoln, 59 Washington Street, Boston. For sale by Smith, English & Co., Philadelphia:—

The Limits of Religious Thought Examined, in Eight Lectures. Delivered before the University of Oxford, in the Year 1858, on the Bampton Foundation. By Henry Longueville Mansel, B. D., Reader in Moral and Metaphysical Philosophy at Magdalen College; Tutor and late Fellow of St. John's College. First American, from the Third London Edition. With the *Notes* translated. 12mo., pp. 364. Price, $1.25.

The author of this work is confessedly one of the greatest logicians and metaphysicians of Great Britain. The North British Review asserts that, in respect of learning, no English-speaking philosopher can be put on the same high level. His writings are characterized by so much modesty and candour, and by such a love of truth, and such a reverence for the Bible, as to secure the confidence, and win the affectionate regard of every right-thinking mind. His formerly published philosophical essays have already established his reputation; and these Lectures will raise him to a still higher rank among Christian philosophers. They have been properly characterized as "an application to theology of Sir William Hamilton's Philosophy of the Unconditioned." They are not designed as a treatise on the evidences of Christianity; but their object is to arrest rash speculation, both in favour of religion and against it, by exposing the absurdities of the German Rationalism, and showing that there is a point where Reason must stop, and Faith must take her place, and that this is as true of Philosophy in general, as it is of Theology. The spirit of the author will be evident from the following extract:—

"No man has a right to say, 'I will accept Christ as I like; I will follow the holy example; I will turn away from the atoning sacrifice; I will listen to his teaching; I will have nothing to do with his mediation; I will believe him when he tells me that he came from the Father, because I feel that his doctrine has a divine beauty and fitness; but I will not believe him when he tells me that he is one with the Father, because I cannot conceive how this unity is possible.' This is not philosophy, which thus mutilates man; this is not Christianity, which thus divides Christ."

The Great Concern; or, Man's Relation to God and a Future State. By Nehemiah Adams, D. D., Pastor of the Essex Street Church, Boston. 12mo., pp. 235.

In this volume we have collected a series of tracts lately published by the author, under the general title of "Truths for the Times," of which more than eleven thousand copies were sold. These tracts are entitled—Instantaneous Conversion; Justification, and its Consequences; Our Bible; Scriptural Argument for Future, Endless Punishment; Reasonableness of Future, Endless Punishment; God is Love. The views of the author are sound, and forcibly presented, and that, too, with a particular reference to the arguments and objections of Universalists, and other New England errorists.

From John P. Jewett & Co., Boston; for sale by W. S. & Alfred Martien, Philadelphia:—

Trinitarian Sermons preached to a Unitarian Congregation. With an Introduction on the Unitarian Failure. By Rev. William L. Gage. 12mo., pp. 153. Price, 50 Cents.

Mr. Gage was a Unitarian preacher, who, to use his own language, "having long sought for vitalizing religious truth, tried to feed his soul on husks, till, wearied and unsatisfied, he has re-considered the whole ground of man's sinfulness, and a redemption through Christ, and found, in the words and symbols of the Scriptures, food which meets the cravings of mind and heart." These sermons, he tells us, "were preached, in all love and faithful endeavour, to a congregation, by some of whom they were received in the spirit in which the words were spoken; but by others of whom they were met with closed ears, defiant faces, and with no apparent comprehension of the affection which prompted the minister to speak, the nerve which it required to testify to the truth, and of the arguments and reason of the discourses themselves." Although these sermons bear here and there the marks of the transition process through which the mind of the writer was passing, they will be none the less interesting on that account, and will be recognised as a valuable contribution to the cause of truth.

Theology in Romance; or, The Catechism in the Dermott Family. By Mrs. Madeline Leslie, Author of "Home Life" and "Mrs. Leslie's Juvenile Series," and

Rev A. R. Baker, Author of "The Catechism tested by the Bible," etc. 2 vols., 18mo., pp. 227, 238. Price, $1.00.

Bating the singular and inappropriate title, this is an excellent work, and will be of great assistance to Christian parents in the instruction of their children. It consists of a series of familiar fire-side talks on the questions of the Shorter Catechism, introducing many illustrative anecdotes, the whole being strung together by the thread of a family history. We have found but one sentiment in these volumes, to which we would take exception. It occurs on page 53 of the 2d volume; where Christ is said to have "prayed for *the whole world*," reference being made, in proof of this, to the 17th chapter of John. We have only to say in regard to this, that in that very chapter our Saviour says—"I pray *not* for the world, but for those whom Thou hast given me *out* of the world." The volumes before us extend only to the close of the doctrinal part of the Catechism. The work is to be completed, we believe, in five volumes. We cordially commend it to parents as calculated to interest the young in the Catechism, and to enable them the better to comprehend and remember its teachings.

From Lindsay & Blakiston, Philadelphia:—

Anna Clayton; or, The Inquirer after Truth. By Rev. Francis Marion Dimmick, A. M.

This is a volume of controversy, presented in the form of a fictitious narrative. Its object is to defend the views of Pedobaptists, and to expose the fallacies and the denominational pride of the Baptists. We confess we do not fancy works of this kind. The author, of course, has every thing his own way. He has only to set up his men, and knock them down at his leisure. Although we agree with this writer in regard to the main question at issue, we cannot see the force, or admit the validity of all his arguments and interpretations of Scripture, nor can we coincide with him in all his sentiments. We read the book through: but found it rather tedious and dry. We would be sorry to believe that all Baptists, or even many of them, were like those who are here depicted. We have never sympathized with the abuse that has been lavished upon them for their adherence to what is called "close-communion." While they hold their present views on the subject of Baptism, they cannot consistently invite to sealing-ordinances those whose views and practices are directly opposite, or justify themselves in maintaining a separate organization. We have often been mortified and grieved to find those who set themselves up as the advocates of Christian charity, liberality, and brotherly love, manifesting so much unfairness, uncharitableness, and bitterness, in their attacks upon our Baptist brethren: and in this respect the book before us is no exception.

Igdrasil; or the Tree of Existence. By James Challen, Author of the "Cave of Machpelah," and other Poems. 12mo., pp. 170.

This is a poem, founded upon one of the myths of the old Norsemen; with whom all life was figured as a Tree. Igdrasil—the Ash Tree of Existence—has its roots down in the kingdom of Hela, or death: its trunk reaches up heaven-high, spreads its boughs over the whole universe, &c. We have never studied Emerson or Carlyle sufficiently to understand or appreciate such a work as this. We can say, however, that it contains a great deal of real poetry, and that its beautiful type and exquisitely tinted paper make it a handsome ornament for the parlour-table.

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Commentary on the Gospel of John. By Dr. Augustus Tholuck. Translated from the German, by Charles P. Krauth, D. D. 8vo., pp. 440. Price, $2.25.

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From Phillips, Sampson & Co., Boston:—

THOUGHTS ON EDUCATIONAL TOPICS AND INSTITUTIONS. By George S. Boutwell. 12mo., pp. 365.

All who are interested, directly or indirectly, in the cause of education, will certainly be anxious to read this valuable work, after perusing the following list of its contents:—The Intrinsic Nature and Value of Learning, and its Influence upon Labour; Education and Crime; Reformation of Children; The Care and Reformation of the Neglected and Exposed Classes of Children; Elementary Training in the Public Schools; The Relative Merits of Public High Schools and Endowed Academies; The High School System; Normal School Training; Female Education; The Influence, Duties, and Rewards of Teachers; Liberty and Learning; Massachusetts School Fund; A System of Agricultural Education. The opinions of such a man as Gov. Boutwell on these important subjects are certainly entitled to great weight. He imbodies in these lectures the results of an extended observation and a large experience; and his book will be gladly welcomed by the philanthrophist the statesman, and the Christian.

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LECTURES ON THE FIRST TWO VISIONS OF THE BOOK OF DANIEL. By William Newton, Rector of the Church of the Holy Trinity, West Chester, Pa. 12mo., pp. 250.

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Harper's Magazine, for July. Contents:—The Saguenay, (illustrated;) A Visit to "John Brown's Tract." By T. B. Thorpe, (illustrated;) The Flea, (illustrated;) Ode on the Birth-Day of John Wesley; Aceldama Sparks; Death of Walter Butler; Story of a Garter; John Wesley; A Man of Honour; Midnight Adventure on Mt. Cenis; In the Garden; The Virginians, by Thackeray, (illustrated;) with the usual rich variety at the end.

Anniversary Address on Ministerial Union. By T. H. Stockton.

An address before the Ministers' Association of this city, in which the author's characteristic eloquence and his strong opposition to creeds, &c., are plainly manifest. The address is sold at ten cents a copy.

Third Annual Circular and Catalogue of the Officers and Students of Monmouth College, for the Academical Year ending July 7th, 1859.

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